DELAWARE HEAD START ASSOCIATION

COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT

Determining Community Strengths and Needs

This Community Assessment includes the collection and analysis of the demographic and social data for Selected Areas in New Castle County



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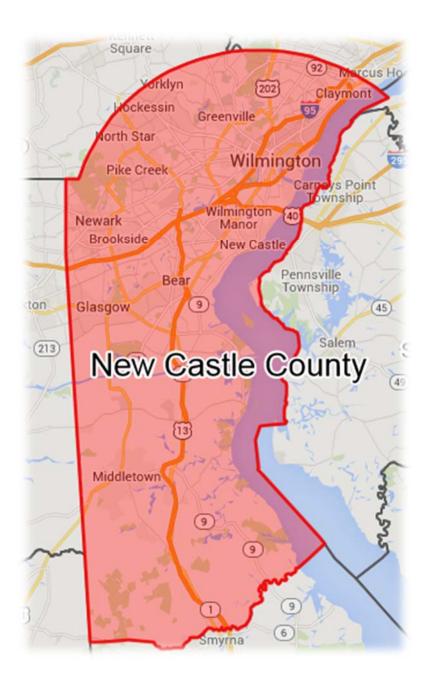
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Introduction

In keeping with the requirements established in 45 CRF 1305.3 "Determining Community Strengths and Needs," as described in the <u>Head Start Program Performance Standards and Other Regulations</u>, this community assessment describes and analyzes demographic, socioeconomic and other key data related to Head Start-eligible families—in an effort to identify the need for childhood development services and related family supportive services in New Castle County, Delaware. This assessment specifically targets the following zip codes: 19702, 19703, 19711, 19713, 19720, 19734, 19801, 19802, 19803, 19804, 19805, 19809, and 19810.

This community assessment is a collaborative effort among Head Start and ECAP organizations that serve New Castle County residents, within the target zip code areas specified above. These organizations are:

- New Directions Early Head Start
- New Castle County Head Start
- Wilmington Head Start
- Hilltop Lutheran Neighborhood Center ECAP
- Brandvwine School District ECAP
- Christina Cultural Arts Center ECAP
- Latin American Community Center ECAP
- Christina School District ECAP

Together, these organizations serve approximately 1,500 children and families. The collective effort of the community assessment has strategically enabled each organization to assess the number of families eligible for Head Start/ECAP in a broader context. They have attained an increased understanding of the vast needs of Head Start-eligible families, extending beyond their individual service delivery areas. This opens opportunities for further collaborative efforts on issues that affect Head Start families, such as mobilization toward county and state initiatives engaged by public and private agencies. In addition, each Head Start/ECAP organization is able to consider opportunities for program improvement, and possibly, expansion to meet the increasing demands for early childhood education in New Castle County.

Objectives

Several goals were essential to this community assessment. The first was to gain estimates of the number of Head Start/ECAP-eligible families within the specified zip code areas, along with relevant and the most up-to-date demographic data for each area.

The second objective was to obtain estimates of the number of Head Start-eligible children with disabilities, and how they were being served. This community assessment relied on data provided by

the Department of Education, and general data from organizations that serve Head Start-eligible children. This information supports the strategy of Head Start/ECAP organizations to target this special population to meet or exceed their enrollment requirements.

The third objective was to identify the core needs of Head Start-eligible families and the resources available to meet those needs. These needs were assessed at zip code, county and state levels. Generally, the State of Delaware has continuously made efforts toward single-point of contact for residents to acquire information leading to access to needed social services.

Plethora of Community Assessments

Within the past three years, numerous community assessments and reports were conducted in the State of Delaware and New Castle County. These assessments covered the spectrum of human social service needs, such as health, education, economic, and various social service needs. This community assessment includes the needs, solutions and recommendations highlighted from these studies. Table ____ list these assessments by source and document title.

What drove the need for these assessments? Increasingly economic challenges have prompted many organizations to acquire a more comprehensive view of the needs of residents throughout the state of Delaware, as more residents now depend on government resources than in previous decades. Understanding the current capacities of public and private agencies to meet those needs was a major objective in most assessments. The underlying theme permeating most assessments can be summed up by the following buzz words: "harness and streamline resources," "end-to-end service provision," "collaboration," "mobilization," "partnerships," "alliances," and "single-point service delivery."

Public and private social service agencies at local, county and state levels provide services to meet the needs of Head Start-eligible families. The primary challenge for many families is access to these services and the coordination of "client" information among various service providers. Many agencies have adopted and engaged initiatives to form collaborations and partnerships with other agencies to assist in better coordination of the delivery of services.

Data derived from additional sources consisted of articles and statistical information covering the education, health, and social service needs of Head Start-eligible families.

In addition, parents currently served by Head Start/ECAP organizations completed a survey that lent toward understanding their needs and how they perceived the availability of resources to meet those needs. The parent survey measured the level of need and accessibility of core social services in four major priority areas: education, nutrition, health and social services. The findings of the survey align with the conclusions of several statewide reports regarding the needs of low-income families.

Findings — Needs and Available Resources

The salient findings of this community assessment are listed in Section 2. Approximately **25,000** children 0-5 years old live in the 13 zip code target areas. Based on poverty levels, an estimated **2,814** children are eligible for Head Start.

The findings reveal the increasing need to expand Head Start services. As historically established, this need is expected to increase due to the persistent economic decline throughout Delaware, which increased crisis levels in nearly every social indicator, such as low-income households, unemployment, homelessness and poverty.

The general resource to solve this problem is the social service agencies, themselves. Strategies at local, state and regional levels have been continuously developed to meet these increasing demands; and Head Start organizations at each level have participated in the development of these strategies. Again, the resources available at zip code, county and state levels are listed in the community assessment.

The information in this community assessment will enable Head Start/ECAP organizations to develop strategies that improve services to eligible families.

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Funded Enrollments

The table below shows the funded enrollment of each of the organizations participating in this Community Assessment.

Name	Funded Enrollment (2014)	No. Served/w Disabilities
Wilmington Head Start	500	32
Community Services Building		
100 W. 10th Street, Suite 1016		
Wilmington, DE 19801		
New Directions Early Head Start	195	20
321 South College Avenue		
Newark, DE 19716		
Hilltop Lutheran Neighborhood Center	50	3
ECAP		
1018 West Sixth Street		
Wilmington, DE 19805		
Brandywine School District ECAP	51	7
701 W. 34th Street		
Wilmington, DE 19802		
Christina Cultural Arts Center	17	3
705 N. Market Street		
Wilmington, DE 19801		
Latin American Community Ctr.	34	3
403 N. Van Buren Street		
Wilmington, DE 19805		
New Castle County Head Start	615	73
256 Chapman Rd Svite 103		
Newark, DE 19702		
Christina School District ECAP	68	7
620 East Chestnut Hill Road		
Newark, DE 19713		
Tot	al 1,530	148

Community Assessment Significant Findings & Indicators

The key findings of the DHSA 2014-15 Community Assessment for selected zip codes in New Castle County are described below. The selected zip codes total 13 and include the following: 19702, 19703, 19711, 19713, 19720, 19734, 19801, 19802, 19803, 19804, 19805, 19809, and 19810.

- Approximately, 381,000 people, and 93,734 families live in the 13 targeted zip codes.
- According to Table 1, Early Head Start and Head Start/ECAP organizations serve approximately 1,530 children within the 13 zip codes (targeted area).

COMBINED ZIP CODE AREAS

Estimated Number of Head Start-Eligible Children

Poverty and TANF data were the primary criteria used to estimate the number of Head Start-eligible children. The Delaware Division of Social Services provided the most current TANF data. The U.S. Census Bureau (American Community Survey) provided the most current poverty-related data.

Secondary criteria included data for children 0-5 years old receiving childcare, Medicaid and SNAP benefits. It is assumed that many families that meet the poverty criteria do not receive TANF, but instead receive the other benefits/services. This data is used to assess the potential for greater numbers of Head Start-eligible children, currently and in the future.

Population of Children ages 0-5

Approximately 24,450 children 0-5 years old live within the 13 zip code target areas.

Based on Poverty

- An estimated **2,814** children living within the **13** zip code target areas live in poverty; and are eligible for Head Start. This age-range includes Early Head Start (0-3 years) and Head Start/ECAP (4-5 years) age eligibility. The data also reveals the following:
 - The greater numbers of children in poverty are in zip codes 19720, 19801, 19802, and
 19805. Except for 19720, the other zip codes are in the City of Wilmington.
 - The larger percentages of children in poverty are in zip codes 19801, 19802, and 19805. These zip codes are in the City of Wilmington.

Based on TANF

• Approximately **2,180** children 0-5 years old living within the **13** zip code target areas receive TANF benefits, and are eligible for Head Start.

Zip Code Breakdown

The following table shows the number of Head Start-eligible children per zip code area. Eligibility is based on poverty and TANF data. This data, matched against each Head Start/ECAP organization's zip code-specific enrollment numbers, will assist in determining the number of children unserved per zip code.

Table 2. Zip Code Breakdown - Population, Poverty and TANF			
Zip Code	Children 0-5 Population(a)	No. in Poverty(b)	TANF(c)
19702	3,297	251	184
19703	1,015	42	74
19711	2,045	106	91
19713	1,928	92	88
19720	4,324	475	329
19734	730	8	11
19801	1,368	369	314
19802	1,715	467	382
19803	1,271	47	10
19804	1,154	228	80
19805	3,161	670	526
19809	1,084	56	58
19810	1,384	3	30
Total	24,476	2,814	2,177

a. American Community Survey; Demographic and Housing, 2009-2013 5-Year Estimates

Note: Age breakdown numbers were not available for "each age category".

Secondary Factors

Families living at or below the HHS poverty level may not necessarily be receiving cash assistance, but may be in poverty without realizing it. Qualifying for childcare assistance, Medicaid and SNAP does not automatically qualify a family for Head Start; however, this data provides a broader view of

b. Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months by Age 2009-2013 5-Year Estimates

c. Delaware Division of Social Services - Policy and Program Development Unit

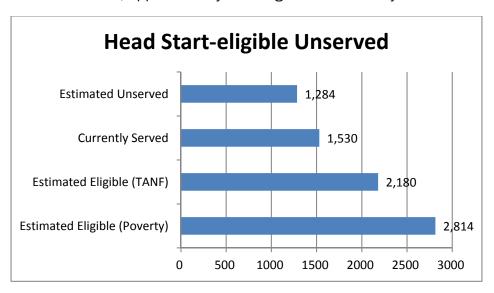
the potential increase of Head Start-eligible families. Data from the Department of Social Services determined the following for children (0-5 years old) in the targeted zip code areas:

- Approximately 13,000 children receive SNAP benefits.
- Approximately 15,500 children receive Medicaid.
- Approximately **6,400** children receive childcare assistance.

Number of Head Start-eligible families Unserved

The number of children eligible for Early Head Start, Head Start/ECAP exceeds the number of families currently served by Head Start/ECAP organizations in New Castle County.

- Based on poverty, approximately **1,284** eligible children may be unserved.
- Based on TANF benefits, approximately 650 eligible children may be unserved.



Estimated Head Start-eligible Children by Program Type

The table below provides a breakdown of the criteria used to assess Head Start eligibility. Only TANF is an automatic eligibility requirement.

Table 3. Estimated Head Start-eligible Children by Program Type				
Program	TANF	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP
Early Head Start	1,495	4,072	10,253	8,571
Head Start	650	2,329	2,844	4,545
ECAP	336	1,242	2,703	2,307

Note: Breakdown numbers were not available for "Poverty" category.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF HEAD START-ELIGIBLE CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

- Head Start/ECAP organizations currently serve 148 children.
- Child Development Watch served approximately 728 children in Delaware, from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.
- The residents living in the targeted zip code areas in New Castle County are served by four
 (4) school districts: Brandywine, Christina, Red Clay, and Colonial. Each school district

provides special education (disability services). During the 2013-2014 school year, approximately **782** preschoolers received disability services.

NEEDS OF HEAD START-ELIGIBLE FAMILIES

- <u>Gainful Employment</u> In some areas, the unemployment is extremely high (19801 and 19802). Low-income families also require gainful employment.
- <u>Food Assistance</u> –Low-income residents continue to access Delaware's food assistance program. Since 2011, and additional 22,000 families have been added Delaware's SNAP program.
- Affordable Housing The cost-burden and other housing problems among households with low incomes has emerged as one of the state's most pressing housing needs. Many lowincome residents are severely cost-burdened, paying over 50% of their income for housing.
- <u>Childcare Assistance</u> The availability and accessibility of affordable childcare continues to be a major problem in Delaware. The market rate of childcare has increased over time without a corresponding increase in the subsidy rate. As a result, the States childcare subsidy program, Purchase of Care (POC), now supports a smaller percentage of a recipient's total childcare cost than previously.
- <u>Transportation Assistance</u> Many low-income families are challenged with obtaining adequate transportation. Many mothers must commute to childcare facilities, then to work, and then back to the childcare facilities to retrieve their children, then home.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO HEAD START-ELIGIBLE FAMILIES

- Low-income families are served by many private and public organizations, including
 religious organizations. In New Castle County, public and private agencies provide a range
 of services for Head Start/ECAP-eligible children. The most notable are state-funded
 programs for childcare, healthcare, health insurance, early childhood development, and
 disabilities. Despite the economic downturn, Head Start/ECAP-eligible families, through
 education and guidance offered by these agencies, can access these services to improve
 the quality of their lives.
- The State of Delaware's Department of Labor provides both job training and job finding
 resources. For example, the "Delaware JobLink" is the state's publicly funded Internet tool
 for job seekers. Residents are able to apply for jobs online after registering on the site. Both
 New Castle County also has employment agencies that provide permanent and temporary,
 full-time/part-time job placement. These resources can be found in the local Yellow Pages
 directory, in either print or online.

 The greatest resource for homelessness assistance for families with school-aged children is the 2013—2014 Homeless Education Directory and Resource Guide, which is produced by the Delaware Department of Education. This comprehensive resource guide contains a list of state and local homeless liaisons, homeless shelters in each county, and other pertinent information. The document can be obtained from the Delaware Department of Education's website.

Introduction

In keeping with the mandates set forth in "CRF 1305.3 - Determining Community Strengths and Needs," this community assessment (CA) identifies and analyzes data related to the needs and resources available to Early Head Start-, Head Start- and Early Childhood Assistance Program (ECAP)-eligible families living in selected areas of New Castle County, which Head Start/ECAP organizations currently serve. These areas include the following zip codes: 19702, 19703, 19711, 19713, 19720, 19734, 19801, 19802, 19803, 19804, 19805, 19809, and 19810.

OBJECTIVES OF COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT

The objectives of this community assessment are:

- To determine the estimated number of Head Start/ECAP-eligible families in the selected zip codes in New Castle County.
- To estimate the number of Head Start/ECAP-eligible families unserved Head Start-eligible families (children) in the selected zip codes in New Castle County.
- To identify the socioeconomic factors affecting Head Start-eligible families to establish the needs of Head Start/ECAP-eligible families (children) in the selected zip codes in New Castle County.
- To identify the resources available to Head Start-eligible families (children) in the above selected zip codes (above).
- Provide brief analysis that delineated gaps and actions steps in meeting the needs of Head Start-eligible families in the selected zip codes in New Castle County.

DATA ANALYZED

This community assessment contains the collection, and subsequent analysis, of the following information:

- The demographic data regarding Head Start-eligible children and families, including their estimated number, geographic location, and racial and ethnic composition;
- Other child development and childcare programs that serve Head Start-eligible children, including publicly funded State and local preschool programs;
- The estimated number of Head Start-eligible children with disabilities;
- Data regarding the education, health, nutrition and social service needs of Head Start-eligible children and their families;
- Resources in the community used to address the needs of Head Start-eligible children and their families.

UTILIZATION OF COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT

This community assessment will be (has been) used by Head Start/ECAP; and other public and private organizations serving the New Castle County to:

- Determine and develop short-range and long-range program objectives that address the needs of Head Start-eligible families.
- Determine and develop the type of component services that Head Start-eligible families need most and the programmatic options that will be implemented.
- Determine the need for additional early childhood development classrooms in locations already served, as well as locations un-served.
- Establish criteria that define the types of children and families who will be targeted for recruitment in Head Start/ECAP programs.

AVAILABILITY OF COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT

This community assessment is available to federal, state, and local governments; and private and public social service agencies that serve Head Start-eligible families in New Castle County.

DEMOGRAPHIC DATA NOTES

This community assessment consists of data from numerous regional, state and county reports/community assessments from public and private agencies serving Delaware. The data is specific to the social, education, and health challenges, resources and initiatives involving low-income families. The results of the 2014-2015 Head Start Parent Survey from Head Start/ECAP organizations are also included in this community assessment.

DATA SOURCES

	Table 4. Community Assessment Data Sources			
	Sources	Name of Data		
1	Head Start/ECAP Organizations	2014 Parent Survey for Head Start/ECAP Enrolled		
		Families		
	U.S. Census Bureau, American	2010 Census data;		
2	Community Survey	2009-13 American Community Survey 3-Year		
		Estimates;		
		2013 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates		
3	Delaware Department of	2014-15 Data for Children with Disabilities served		
	Education			
	The National Center on Family	America's Youngest Outcasts, A Report Card on Child		
4	Homelessness, American	Homelessness; November 2014		
	Institutes for Research			
	Policy Committee on Ending	Ending Discrimination for Delaware's Homeless:		
5	Homelessness in Delaware, a	Protecting the Rights of Our Most Vulnerable Citizens,		
	Working Group of the Homeless	March 2013		
	Planning Council of Delaware			
	Delaware Department of	2013—2014 Homeless Education Directory and		
6	Education	Resource Guide, Targeting Awareness and Education		
		of Homeless Children and Youth		
7	Nemours Health & Prevention	Community Health Needs Assessment and Delaware		
'	Services	Survey of Children's Health - June 5, 2014		
8	Saint Francis Healthcare	Community Health Needs Assessment, Revised		
^		November 2013		
9	Delaware Housing Coalition	Housing In A Hurry: A Guide to Finding Room in		
		Delaware		
10	Delaware Disabilities Project	First State Equal Access to Safety Needs Assessment		
	Core Team	Report, October 2013		

	Table 4. Co	ommunity Assessment Data Sources
	Sources	Name of Data
	Delaware Division of Public	The First Delaware State Health Improvement Plan
11	Health	Assessing and Improving Community Health in
		Delaware
	University of Delaware —	2014 KIDS COUNT in Delaware
	Center for Community Research	
12	and Service, School of Public	
	Policy and Administration,	
	College of Arts and Sciences	
13	Delaware Population	Annual Population Projections, October 30, 2014
	Consortium	
	University of Delaware —	Child Poverty Rates
14	Center for Applied Demography	
	and Survey Research	
	Delaware Disabilities Project	First State Equal Access to Safety Needs Assessment
	Core Team	Report, October 2013
	Delaware Coalition Against	
15	Domestic Violence, Center for	
13	Disabilities Studies at the	
	University of Delaware,	
	National Alliance on Mental	
	Illness in Delaware	
	Child Development Watch (Part	2013 Family Survey - November 2013
	of the Interagency Resource	
16	Management Committee Early	
	Intervention Outcome	
	Evaluation Project	
1 7	Delaware State Housing	2012-2013 Delaware Affordable Housing Services
17	Authority	Directory

	Table 4. Community Assessment Data Sources		
	Sources	Name of Data	
18	Guide to Promoting Inclusion	Delaware Health and Social Services Birth to Three	
120	in Early Care and Education	Early Intervention System	
19	DHSS Division of State Service	Directory of Human Services for Delaware 2013	
179	Centers		
20	Delaware State Housing	Delaware Housing Needs Assessment 2015-2020	
20	Authority		
21	Parent Information Center of	2013 Annual Summary	
21	Delaware		
	Food and Nutrition Service	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program State	
	Supplemental Nutrition	Activity Report for Fiscal Year 2013; Released July	
22	Assistance Program	2014	
22	Program Accountability and		
	Administration Division July		
	2014		
	Institute for Public	State of Delaware Early Childhood Needs Assessment;	
	Administration School of	February 2013	
23	Public Policy &		
25	Administration College of Arts		
	& Sciences University of		
	Delaware		
	Delaware Department of Health	The First Delaware State Health Improvement Plan	
24	and Social Services, Division of	Assessing and Improving Community Health in	
	Public Health	Delaware, June 2014	

DEFINITION OF ACRONYMS

The following table contains the definitions of terms and acronyms used throughout this community assessment.

Table 5. D	efinitions of Terms
Term	Definition
TANF	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
SNAP	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
LEA	Local Education Agencies
ECAP	Early Childhood Assistance Program
ACS	American Community Survey
EHS	Early Head Start
HS	Head Start
DHSS	Delaware Department of Health and Social Services
DOE	Delaware Department of Education

Estimated Number of Head Start-eligible Families

This section contains information about the Head Start/ECAP programs and shows the data used to estimate the number of Head Start-eligible children (0-5 years old) in the selected zip codes in New Castle County.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Table 6. EHS/HS/	/ECAP Program Descriptions Funded Enrollment			
Early Head Start	Early Head Start (EHS) is a federally funded community-based			
	program for low-income families with infants and toddlers and			
	pregnant women. Its mission is simple: 1) to promote healthy			
	prenatal outcomes for pregnant women, 2) to enhance the			
	development of very young children, and 3) to promote healthy			
	family functioning.			
Head Start	Head Start is a federally-funded program operated by local public			
	and private non-profit and for-profit agencies to provide			
	comprehensive child development services to children at or below			
	the poverty level, with a special focus on helping preschoolers from			
	three to school entry develop the early reading and math skills			
	they need to be successful in school.			
Early Childhood	Early Childhood Assistance Programs are state-funded,			
Assistance Program	comprehensive child development programs for low-income			
	families with children age four and eligible for kindergarten the			
	following year. These programs follow the Head Start Performance			
	Standards.			

PROGRAM AGE-SEGMENTATION

- Age Requirements: EHS (0-3 year olds);
- Head Start (4-5 year olds);
- ECAP (4 year olds)

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The eligibility requirements for Early Head Start, and Head Start/Early Childhood Assistance Program are:

- Children from birth to five years of age in low-income families that meet the HHS Federal Poverty Guidelines;
- Children from families receiving public assistance (TANF or SSI) regardless of income;
- Children in foster care regardless of family income;
- Children with disabilities (10% of enrollments);
- Children who come from families with slightly higher income when space is available;

"Low-income" refers to families whose incomes are at or below the federal poverty line. The table below lists the 2014 Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Poverty Guidelines.¹

Table 7. Federal Poverty Guidelines for 2014						
Persons in Family	Poverty Guideline					
1	\$11,670					
2	\$15,730					
3	\$19,090					
4	\$23,8 <i>50</i>					
5	\$27,910					
6	\$31,970					
7	\$36,030					
8	\$40,090					
For each additional person, add	\$4,060					

NUMBER OF CHILDREN 0-5 YEARS OLD

The following table shows the number of children, ages 0-5 years living in the selected zip code areas in New Castle County.

Table 8. Children 0-5 years old - Population, Poverty						
Zip Code	Population(a)	No. in Poverty(b)				

¹ Federal Register/Vol. 79, No. 14/Wednesday, January 22, 2014/Notice.

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1	Total 24,476	2,814
19810	1,384	3
19809	1,084	56
19805	3,161	670
19804	1,154	228
19803	1,271	47
19802	1,715	467
19801	1,368	369
19734	730	8
19720	4,324	475
19713	1,928	92
19711	2,045	106
19703	1,015	42
19702	3,297	251

a. American Community Survey; Demographic and Housing, 2009-2013 5-Year Estimates

ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER OF HEAD START-ELIGIBLE FAMILIES

- Data sources used to estimate the number of Head Start/ECAP age-eligible children (0-5 years old) included: 1) number of age-eligible children living in poverty (100% level); and 2) the number of age-eligible children receiving TANF. These are the most accurate for estimating income-related Head Start eligibility.
- Additional indicators to approximate the number of Head Start/ECAP age-eligible children (0-5 years old) include the number of children receiving Childcare, Medicaid, and SNAP benefits.

Based on Number of Age-eligible Children in Poverty

According to Table 7, approximately 24,450 children 0-5 years old live within the 13 zip code target areas. Of this number, an estimated **2,814 children live in poverty**. The data also reveals:

• The greater numbers of children in poverty are in zip codes **19720**, **19801**, **19802**, and **19805**.

b. Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months by Age 2009-2013 5-Year Estimates

• The larger percentages of children in poverty are in zip codes **19801**, **19802**, and **19805**. These zip codes are in the City of Wilmington.

Based on TANF²

Children from families receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) are eligible for Head Start, Early Head Start, and ECAP services regardless of income. TANF is a cash assistance program administered through a joint effort of the Division of Social Services (DSS), Delaware Department of Labor, Delaware Department of Transportation and the Delaware Economic Development Office. TANF helps to ensure that children in low income/needy families can continue to receive the basic needs, support, and services they need to continue to develop.

Data contains the average number of children (0-5 years of age) receiving TANF benefits from July, August, September thru Oct 10, 2014.³

Based on TANF, the estimated number of eligible children is 2,177.

Table 9.	Table 9. TANF Recipients (October 2014)								
Zip Code	Under 1	1 years old	2 years old	3 years old	4 years old	5 years old	Total		
19702	40	37	30	24	36	17	184		
19073	11	14	12	13	14	10	74		
19711	16	20	10	12	12	21	91		
19713	24	14	10	13	13	14	88		
19720	69	<i>5</i> 7	52	38	<i>5</i> 7	56	329		
19734	2	1	1	1	2	4	11		
19801	74	61	47	44	51	37	314		
19802	89	75	54	<i>5</i> 7	46	61	382		
19803	2	2	2	2	1	1	10		
19804	12	11	14	16	10	17	80		
19805	102	79	94	79	79	93	526		
19809	11	5	12	12	8	10	58		
19810	5	5	5	3	7	5	30		

² This information was provided by the Delaware Division of Social Services - Policy and Program Development Unit, Refugee and Cash Assistance Programs, Phone: (302) 255-9605 Fax: (302) 255-4425

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Table 9.	TANF Recipients (October 2014)						
Zip Code	Under 1	1 years old	2 years old	3 years old	4 years old	5 years old	Total
Total	4 <i>5</i> 7	381	343	314	336	346	2,177

SECONDARY CRITERIA ASSESSING HEAD START ELIGIBILITY

Families living at or below the HHS poverty level may not necessarily be receiving cash assistance, but may be in poverty without realizing it. Although childcare, Medicaid and SNAP eligibility does not make families automatically Head Start-eligible, this data provides a broader view of the potential increase of Head Start-eligible families.

Data contains the average number of children (0-5 years of age) receiving Medicaid, SNAP and Childcare (PoC) benefits from July, August, September thru Oct 10, 2014.⁴

Based on Childcare, Medicaid & SNAP

Given that children from families receiving public assistance, such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and Medicaid are eligible for Early Head Start, Head Start and ECAP, we can obtain a reasonable estimate of the number of eligible children by knowing the number of TANF and Medicaid recipients in these age groups, specific to each zip code.

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Childcare Benefits (October 2014)⁵

The service is available for children from infancy through twelve years of age. DSS determines eligibility based on the need for service and income. The income limit is currently set at 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). Approximately, 6,400 children are receiving childcare assistance.

Table 10. Childcare Recipients (October 2014)								
Zip Code	Under 1	1 years old	2 years old	3 years old	4 years old	5 years old	Total	
19702	69	98	112	119	135	121	654	
19073	21	28	53	54	52	48	256	
19711	27	48	44	47	53	52	271	
19713	32	56	67	77	70	62	364	
19720	103	158	218	206	182	169	1,036	
19734	5	11	9	12	11	6	54	
19801	73	144	150	156	196	115	834	
19802	123	182	179	216	195	200	1,095	
19803	2	6	4	7	7	6	32	
19804	19	23	37	36	36	42	193	
19805	136	216	278	270	251	232	1,383	
19809	10	21	34	3 <i>5</i>	45	24	169	
19810	4	9	13	15	9	10	60	
Totals	624	1,000	1,198	1,250	1,242	1,087	6,401	

⁵ This information was provided by the Delaware Division of Social Services - Policy and Program Development Unit, Refugee and Cash Assistance Programs, Phone: (302) 255-9605 Fax: (302) 255-4425

MEDICAID benefits (October 2014)6

Medicaid furnishes medical assistance to eligible low-income families and to eligible aged, blind and/or disabled people whose income is insufficient to meet the cost of necessary medical services. Medicaid pays for: doctor visits, hospital care, labs, prescription drugs, transportation, routine shots for children, mental health and substance abuse services.

- Needy families with children may be eligible for Medicaid if they are part of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families.
- Low-income pregnant women and children under age 19 may qualify for Medicaid.

Table 11.	Table 11. Medicaid Recipients (October 2014)								
Zip Code	Under 1	1 years old	2 years old	3 years old	4 years old	5 years old	Total		
19702	305	321	28 <i>5</i>	292	<i>35</i> 8	337	1,898		
19073	99	90	108	117	118	115	647		
19711	153	143	124	120	140	136	816		
19713	202	207	200	202	205	185	1,201		
19720	468	467	506	472	461	471	2,845		
19734	30	37	27	36	36	30	196		
19801	194	225	236	251	289	234	1,429		
19802	308	305	300	325	302	342	1,882		
19803	17	21	21	22	19	20	120		
19804	126	114	140	109	118	130	737		
19805	510	479	540	550	548	535	3,162		
19809	60	58	79	70	70	62	399		
19810	44	46	49	43	39	44	265		
Totals	2,516	2,513	2,615	2,609	2,703	2,641	15,597		

The total estimated number of eligible children based on Medicaid statistics is 15,597.

⁶ This information was provided by the Delaware Division of Social Services - Policy and Program Development Unit, Refugee and Cash Assistance Programs, Phone: (302) 255-9605 Fax: (302) 255-4425

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SNAP benefits (October 2014)7

Food Supplement Program is a program that enables low-income families to buy a variety of food that is the basis for better nutrition. Eligibility for this service is based on factors such as who lives and eats together as well as relationships in the home and income. All children under the age of 22 years old who live with their parents must apply with their parents. You must be a U.S. Citizen or an eligible alien to qualify. Individuals who receive TANF, GA or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) do not need to meet an income test in order to receive Food benefits.

Table 12.	Table 12. SNAP Recipients (October 2014)								
Zip Code	Under 1	1 years old	2 years old	3 years old	4 years old	5 years old	Total		
19702	191	252	235	225	276	254	1,433		
19073	78	71	96	111	97	106	559		
19711	97	112	101	87	113	109	619		
19713	130	148	164	158	164	148	912		
19720	<i>35</i> 7	379	430	396	371	377	2,310		
19734	23	21	23	27	21	26	141		
19801	185	219	228	241	280	219	1,372		
19802	281	296	281	308	285	327	1,778		
19803	11	16	16	11	13	11	78		
19804	92	8 <i>5</i>	103	84	95	93	552		
19805	417	427	491	495	495	478	2,803		
19809	45	54	70	63	67	56	355		
19810	3 <i>5</i>	36	40	29	30	34	204		
Totals	1,942	2,116	2,278	2,23 <i>5</i>	2,307	2,238	13,116		

The total estimated number of eligible children based on SNAP statistics is 13,116.

Estimated Eligible Children by Program Type

The table below shows the number of children 0-5 in each eligibility criterion, specific to each program type.

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⁷ Ibid 7.

Table 13. Estimated Eligible Children by Program Type								
Program	TANF	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP				
Early Head Start	1,495	4,072	10,253	8,571				
Head Start	<i>650</i>	2,329	2,844	4,545				
ECAP	336	1,242	2,703	2,307				

Demographic Composition of Head Start/ECAP-Eligible Families

This section covers the demographic make-up of Head Start/ECAP-Eligible families living in the specific zip code areas covering this community assessment.

Head Start-eligible families are low-income and generally live in communities considered "at-risk." Poverty is the most pressing and formidable risk factor; therefore, this data provided below addresses the demographics of general residents, families, families with minor children, and female householders, as it relates to poverty.

RACIAL DISTRIBUTION

Table 14. Racial Distribution(a)(b)							
Zip Code	White	Black	Asian	Hispanic	Other		
19702	7,741	4,043	1,098	989	224		
19703	2,085	1,231	120	111	71		
19711	9,600	82 <i>5</i>	710	730	168		
19713	5,374	1,412	470	533	239		
19720	7,723	6,050	514	1,709	737		
19734	2,487	408	4	27	0		
19801	449	2,503	106	302	106		
19802	1,157	4,665	42	256	167		
19803	5,524	206	234	134	32		
19804	3,637	510	15	320	10		
19805	5,564	3,136	72	2,320	327		
19809	3,587	420	111	121	0		
19810	5,606	529	647	49	38		
Total	60,534	25,938	4,143	7,601	2,119		

a. 2009-2013 American Community Survey - Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months of Families b. 2009-2013 American Community Survey - Demographics and Housing Estimates

FAMILIES - POPULATION, INCOME AND POVERTY

The poverty rate in all zip code areas is above **20**%, with two-thirds of the zip code areas at approximately **30**%. Two zip codes, 19801 and 19802, are at **40**%. The current poverty rates and the high probability of increased unemployment over the next few years, indicate that poverty will continue to increase.

Table 15.	Total Population and Family Income and Poverty						
Zip Code	Total	Median	Overall	No. of	% in	No. in	
	Population (a)	Income	% Poverty	Families	Poverty	Poverty	
		(2013)(b)					
19702	<i>5</i> 2,830	67,510	26.1	13,286	6.8	106	
19703	14,806	51,739	28.7	3,612	7.2	260	
19711	50,844	72,209	26	11,526	3.3	380	
19713	30,969	57,044	28.1	7,536	5.4	407	
19720	59,808	54,233	31.7	15,210	9.7	1,475	
19734	10,955	85,283	23.6	2,913	1.9	55	
19801	15,656	27,394	38.4	3,160	30.2	954	
19802	25,396	40,394	40.6	6,149	19.6	1,205	
19803	21,373	97,944	22.5	6,084	0.8	49	
19804	18,027	53,809	33.5	4,321	8.7	368	
19805	40,586	41,980	33.9	9,382	16.8	156	
19809	14,405	60,726	25.1	3,658	4.1	150	
19810	25,460	87,32 <i>5</i>	23.6	6,897	1.2	83	
Total	381,115			93,734		5,648	

a. 2009-2013 American Community Survey - Total Population

b. 2009-2013 American Community Survey - Selected Economic Characteristics

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FAMILIES W/ CHILDERN

The following table shows the number of families with children under 18 years-old living in each targeted zip code; and the percentage and number of these families living in poverty.

Zip Code	Total	% Poverty	Approximate No. in Poverty
19702	7,34 <i>5</i>	9.4	690
19703	1,923	11.2	215
19711	4,614	6.5	300
19713	3,473	9.6	333
19720	7,897	14.6	1,153
19734	1,641	0.6	10
19801	2,076	41.7	865
19802	3,271	28.3	926
19803	2,550	2.0	51
19804	1,960	18.2	357
19805	5,391	24.5	1,321
19809	1,715	7.0	121
19810	3,089	1.5	46
Total	46,945	13.47	6,388

a. 2009-2013 American Community Survey - Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months of Families b. 2009-2013 American Community Survey - Demographics and Housing Estimates

FEMALE HOUSEHOLDER, POVERTY AND CHILDREN (0-5) IN POVERTY

The following table shows the number of female-headed households with children under 18 yearsold living in each targeted zip code; and the percentage and number of these families living in poverty. Approximately, 3,600 women are in poverty.

Zip Code	Total	% Poverty	Approximate No. in
			Poverty
19702	2,013	25.1	505
19703	548	23.7	130
19711	819	28.0	229
19713	745	21.5	160
19720	2,774	20.6	571
19734	187	3.7	7
19801	1,643	49.7	817
19802	2,026	38.5	780
19803	351	8.5	30
19804	697	32.1	223
19805	2,376	37.3	88
19809	458	10.5	48
19810	433	2.3	10
Total	15,070	23.19	3,598

a. 2009-2013 American Community Survey - Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months of Families b. 2009-2013 American Community Survey - Demographics and Housing Estimates

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Estimated Number of Head Start-Eligible Children with Disabilities

Primary services for Head Start-eligible children (0-5) are provided by the State of Delaware through Delaware Department of Health and Social Services and Delaware Department of Education.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT WATCH DATA

Child Development Watch is the statewide early intervention program for children ages birth to 3. The program's mission is to enhance the development of infants and toddlers with disabilities or developmental delays and to enhance the capacity of their families to meet the needs of their young children. Approximately **728 children** were served from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.⁸

DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (DOE)

New Castle County is served by four (4) school districts: Brandywine, Christina, Red Clay, and Colonial. The following table shows the number of Pre-K children that receive special education services for disabilities per school district.

Table 18. Pre-Kindergarten Children with Disabilities Served - School Year: 2013- 2014					
Special Education Students by Disability	Brandywi ne School District	Christina School District	Red Clay School District	Colonial School District	Total
Autistic	24	73	0	0	97
Developmentally Delayed	79	195	119	115	508
Hard of Hearing - Partially Deaf	0	0	0	0	0
PI - Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity	0	24	0	0	24
PI - Sensory Impairment	0	0	0	0	0
Pre-school Speech delayed	39	42	45	0	126
Seriously Emotionally Disturbed	0	0	0	0	0

⁸ Part C State Annual Performance Report (APR) for FFY2012 (July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013)

[;] http://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dms/epqc/birth3/files/stateperformanceplan_fy12.pdf

Educable Mentally	0	0	0	0	0
Handicapped					
Learning Disability	0	0	0	18	18
Trainable Mentally	0	0	0	0	0
Handicapped					
Blind	0	0	0	0	0
Deaf and Blind	0	0	0	0	0
Traumatic Brain Injury	0	0	0	0	0
Partially Sighted	0	0	0	0	0
Severely Mentally	0	0	0	0	0
Handicapped					
Orthopedic Impairment	0	0	0	9	9
Total	142	334	164	142	782

Brandywine School District

The majority of pre-school children with disabilities, in the Brandywine School District, are served at Bush Early Education Center.

Table 19. Brandywine School District (2013-20	.9. Brandywine School District (2013-2014)		
School No. Served Zip Code			
Bush Early Education Center	142	19810	

Christina School District

In the Christina School District, the majority of pre-school children with disabilities are served at the Christina Early Education Center.

Table 20. Christina School District (2013-2014	sle 20. Christina School District (2013-2014))		
School No. Served Zip Code			
Brennen Elementary School	73	19801	
Christina Early Education Center	261	19713	

Red Clay School District

The majority of pre-school children with disabilities in the Red Clay School District are served at the Richardson Park Learning Center.

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School	No. Served	Zip Code
Richardson Park Learning Center	140	19804
Meadowood Program	24	19711

Colonial School District

In the Colonial School District, the majority of pre-school children with disabilities are served by two schools located in New Castle, Delaware.

Table 22. Colonial School District (2011-2012)				
School No. Served Zip Code				
Leach (John G.) School	31	19720		
Colwyck Elementary School	111	19720		

Alliance and Coordination of Services

Generally, the number of pre-school children with disabilities being served by the four school districts reflects an increase from the previous years, especially for developmental delays. There may be opportunities for Head Start/ECAP organizations to work with school districts to meet their goals of service to children with disabilities.

Services for Children with Disabilities

The Department of Health and Social Services' publishes a comprehensive directory that list and describe the numerous services available to adults and children with disabilities. The directory is published under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Part C of that federal law, which is administered by the Department of Health and Social Services, provides funding and management to support a statewide, comprehensive, coordinated system of early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities and/or developmental delays and their families.

This directory is available at:

http://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dms/epqc/birth3/files/centraldirectory.pdf

There is also a user's guide: Guide to Promoting Inclusion in Early Care and Education: http://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dms/epqc/birth3/files/growingtogether.pdf

Data Regarding the Needs of Head Start/ECAP-eligible Families

This section conveys the education, health, nutrition and social service needs of Head Start/ECAPeligible children and their families.

Early Head Start, Head Start and ECAP organizations serving families in New Castle County surveyed parents of enrolled children to identify their level of need for services within four (4) core areas consistent with Head Start objectives: education, nutrition, health and social services. The survey loosely measured these needs, as well as the availability and accessibility of services to meet these needs. A copy of the parent survey is in Appendix C.

Parent Survey

The objectives of this survey are:

- To measure the level of need of specific services within the following areas: education, nutrition, health and social services. Parents are given four levels through which to judge their level of need for the listed services. These levels are: 1) Low, 2) Some, 3) Moderate, 4) High.
- To determine the level of availability/accessibility of specific services within the following areas: education, nutrition, health and social services. Parents are given four levels through which to measure their level of availability/accessibility to the needed services. These levels are: 1) No Services, 2) Limited, 3) Adequate, 4) Very Good.

Overview of Parent Survey Findings

Parents served by Early Head Start and Head Start/ECAP organizations in New Castle County completed 328 parent surveys.

Table 23. 2014 Parent Survey Findings At-A-Glance				
Area/Services	Level of Need	Availabilit y of	Briefing	
		Services		
Education				
ESL Training	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Most parents did not need ESL training, but the availability of training was good for those who did.	
Raising Special Needs		Not	Most parents were not raising children	
Child	Applicable	Applicable	with special needs.	

Area/Services	Level of Need	Availabilit y of Services	Briefing
Child Development Training	Moderate	Adequate	Some parents did need child development training and believed that
Parent Skills Training	Moderate	Adequate	the availability of training is adequate. Some parents did need parent skills training and believed that the availability of training is adequate.
Literacy Training	Moderate	Adequate	Some parents did need literacy training and believed that the availability of training is adequate.
Computer Skills	High	Adequate	The need for computer skills was high and the available training is adequate.
Resume Writing/Interview Skills	Moderate	Adequate	Some parents felt a need for resume writing/interview skills, and believe th availability of training is adequate.
GED	Moderate	Adequate	Some parents felt a need for GED training, and believe that the availability of training is adequate.
Financial Assistance College	Moderate	Adequate	The need for financial assistance for college was moderate and the availability of this service is adequate.
NUTRITION			
Weight Management	Low	Adequate	The majority of parents did not need weight management training, but the availability of training is adequate.
Food Assistance - WIC	Moderate	Adequate	Parents did need food assistance and the availability of assistance is adequate.
Food Assistance - SNAP	Moderate	Adequate	Parents did need food assistance and the availability of assistance is adequate.
Food Assistance- Pantry	Moderate	Adequate	Parents did need food assistance and the availability of assistance is adequate.
Healthy Eating Skills	Low	Adequate	The majority of parents did not need healthy eating skills training, but the availability of training is adequate for

those who did.

Table 23. 2014 Par	ent Survey Fi	Glance	
Area/Services	Level of Need	Availabilit y of Services	Briefing
HEALTH			
Health Insurance	Moderate	Good	The need for health insurance was moderate and the availability of this service is good.
Subsidized Healthcare	Low	Good	The majority of parents did not need subsidized healthcare, but the availability is good.
CPR/First Aid Training	Low	Good	The majority of parents did not need CPR/First Aid Training, but the availability of training is good.
Dental Care	High	Adequate	The need for dental care was high and the available care is adequate.
Mental Health Services	Low	Good	The majority of parents did not need mental health services, but the availability of services is good.
Vision Services	Low	Good	The majority of parents did not need vision services, but the availability of service is good.
Substance Abuse	Not	Not	Most parents did not need substance
Services	Applicable	Applicable	abuse services.
Social Services			
Adequate Housing	Moderate	Adequate	Parents do need adequate housing and the availability is adequate.
Homelessness Services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Most parents do not need help with homelessness.
Transportation Assistance	Moderate	Limited	Parents do need transportation assistance and the availability of assistance is limited.
Affordable Childcare	High	Limited	The need for affordable childcare was high and the availability of services was limited.
Home Heating Assistance	Low	Adequate	The majority of parents did not need home heating assistance, but the availability of services is adequate.

Area/Services	Level of	Availabilit	Briefing		
	Need	y of			
		Services			
Domestic Violence	Not	Not	Most parents do not need domestic		
Services	Applicable	Applicable	violence services.		
Child Support	Not	Not	Most parents do not need child support		
Assistance	Applicable	Applicable	assistance.		
Home-visiting services	Low	Good	The majority of parents did not need		
			home-visiting services, but the		
			availability of services is adequate.		
Employment					
Job Skills Training	Moderate	Adequate	Some parents do need job skills training		
			and believe that the availability of		
			training is adequate.		
Employment	Moderate	Adequate	Some parents do need employment		
Counseling			counseling skills training and believe		
			that the availability of training is		
			adequate.		

The results indicated:

- <u>Education</u>—parents conveyed high levels of need for computer skills. The need and availability/accessibility of all other education services were low, but parents believed that access to these services was adequate.
- <u>Nutrition</u>—parents conveyed moderate needs for food assistance, and that the availability and accessibility for food assistance was good overall. The level of need for weight management was low.
- Health—parents expressed a high level of need for dental services, and felt that access to these services was adequate. The level of need and availability/accessibility of all other services was good overall.
- <u>Social Services</u>—parents identified high level of need for affordable childcare and transportation assistance. The level of availability/accessibility for both was limited.

NEEDS IDENTIFIED BY FEDERAL, STATE AND COUNTY

Over the past decade, numerous needs assessments have been conducted to analyze the needs of low-income families in Delaware. The consensus among public officials and social service agencies

is that low-income families face numerous challenges, such as unemployment, lack of affordable housing, childcare services, healthcare assistance, food assistance, childcare services, job training, and education services. This perspective is now common among those serving low-income families.

The most impactful needs, including employment, affordable housing, childcare services and health services, have been identified by public and private social service agencies that provide for a range of family supportive services and assistance. Food, shelter and clothing are considered the three items that secure life; however, without gainful employment then the ability to secure these essentials is threatened. Many low-income families are in this very position.

Gainful Employment

— Head Start/ECAP-eligible families need gainful employment with adequate wages.

Zip Code	Population	Civilian La	bor Force	Emplo	yed	Unemployed		
·	16 years and over				3			
	Number	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
19702	41604	30599	73. <i>5</i>	28134	67.6	2465	5.9	
19703	11457	7783	69.9	7083	61.8	700	6.1	
19711	42965	27905	64.9	26136	60.8	1769	4.1	
19713	25257	17432	69.0	15895	62.9	1537	6.1	
19720	46856	30829	65.8	27171	58.0	3658	7.8	
19734	828 <i>5</i>	5635	68.0	5328	64.3	307	3.7	
19801	12201	6936	56.8	5629	46.1	1307	10.7	
19802	19482	12570	64.5	10699	54.9	1871	9.6	
19803	17250	10702	62.0	10172	59.0	530	3.1	
19804	14609	9678	66.2	8688	5905	990	6.8	
19805	31037	20966	67.6	18422	59.4	2544	8.2	
19809	11634	8044	69.1	7336	63.1	708	6.1	
19810	20792	13888	66.8	13129	63.1	759	3.7	
Total	303,429	202,967		183,822		19,145		

One cause of poverty is the lack of consistent gainful employment. The unemployment rate in New Castle County is 6.2%. Unemployment is connected to the harshest social crises, such as poverty, homelessness and crime.

The above table shows that, with the exception zip codes areas 19801 and 19802, the unemployment rate for the other areas is approximate to New Castle County's. Also indicated in the table is that wages are inadequate. The "working poor" has become status quo throughout the U.S.. The underlying challenge for residents is to obtain gainful employment that garner adequate wages.

Food Assistance

— Head Start/ECAP-eligible families need assistance with obtaining food (adequate nutrition).

In 2013, approximately, 153,000 individuals; and 72,244 household participated in the SNAP program.⁹ The latter is up by nearly 22,000 households since 2011. As previously indicated in Table 12 SNAP Recipients (October 2014), more than 13,000 children (0-5 years old) receive SNAP benefits.

In addition, the Food Bank of Delaware serves 1 in 4 Delawareans. The Food Bank provides food to more than 250,000 people in the state, up from 153,200 since 2006. Of families receiving assistance, 44 percent of members in the household are under the age of 18.

Affordable Housing

— Head Start/ECAP-eligible families need affordable and decent housing.

According to the U.S. Department of Education, the number of homeless children in the U.S. has reached an historical high, with approximately 2.5 million homeless children. This represents one in every 30 children. All states have children classified as homeless.

Delaware ranks **34**th overall (Composite State Rank), with nearly 8,000 homeless children. Approximately, 24% were children under the age of 18.¹⁰ Categorically, Delaware ranks as follows: **39**th (Extent of Child Homelessness - adjusted for state population); **26**th (Child Well-Being); **23**rd (Risk for Child Homelessness); and **40**th (State Policy and Planning Effort).¹¹ The ranking in the first and last categories places Delaware a few places outside of the top worst states in the U.S.

⁹ Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; State Activity Report, Fiscal Year 2013; Food and Nutrition Service; Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; Program Accountability and Administration Division; July 2014

Policy Committee on Ending Homelessness in Delaware, a Working Group of the Homeless Planning Council of Delaware Ending Discrimination for Delaware's Homeless Protecting the Rights of Our Most Vulnerable Citizens March 2013

¹¹ The National Center on Family Homelessness; American Institutes for Research; Report: America's Youngest Outcasts; A Report Card on Child Homelessness; November 2014. This report looks at child homelessness nationally and in the 50 states and the District of Columbia, ranks the states from 1 (best) to 50 (worst), and examines causes of child homelessness and solutions. The states are ranked in the report from 1 (best) to 50 (worst) using a composite of four domains: (1) extent of child homelessness; (2) well-being of the children; (3) risk for family homelessness; and (4) policy response

The six major causes of homelessness are: (1) poverty; (2) lack of affordable housing; (3) continuing impacts of the current economic depression (also called the Great Recession); (4) racial disparities; (5) the challenges of single parents; and (6) traumatic experiences, especially domestic violence.

Research shows that up to 25% of homeless pre-school children have mental health challenges requiring clinical evaluation. Homelessness on young children may lead to changes in brain architecture that can interfere with learning, emotional self-regulation, cognitive skills, and social relationships.

Affordable housing for low-income families in Delaware has been a long-standing problem over the past decades. According to the recent, Delaware Housing Community Assessment 2015-2020, almost half of all renters and one-third of all homeowners have housing challenges, defined as paying more than 30% of their income on housing costs, or living in overcrowded or substandard living conditions.

According to the recent, Delaware Housing Community Assessment 2015-2020, projected housing demand over the next five years is greatest in New Castle County. Household growth will be high in New Castle County and East Sussex County. However, an extensive inventory of developed lots and planned subdivisions in East Sussex means that new housing demand is projected to be higher in New Castle County, comprising more than half of all demand for new units through 2020.

Childcare Services

— Head Start/ECAP-eligible families need affordable child care services.

The availability and accessibility of affordable childcare is a major problem in Delaware. According to Children and Families First, the market rate of childcare has increased over time without a corresponding increase in the subsidy rate. As a result, the States childcare subsidy program, Purchase of Care (POC), now supports a smaller percentage of a recipient's total childcare cost than previously.

As indicated in Table 10. Childcare Recipients (October 2014), approximately 6,400 children (0-5 years old) receive childcare benefits.

Transportation

— Head Start/ECAP-eligible families need greater access to transportation and assistance with transportation expenses.

In its 2013 Delaware Early Childhood Needs Assessment, the Delaware Department of Education affirmed that transportation barriers continue to inhibit many low-income families from mobilization required to manage family and employment responsibilities. Many mothers must commute to childcare facilities, then to work, and then back to the childcare facilities to retrieve their children, then home. This situation becomes more complex when special conditions, such as healthcare appointments are taken into account. Without private transportation, low-income families have not

been able to respond to the demands and needs of their families, especially where follow-up dental and medical appointments are concerned.

In addition, as the cost of gasoline has risen, public transportation costs have also increased. Currently, public transportation cost is a budgetary item that many low-income families struggle to maintain. Low-income families have traditionally received transportation vouchers to assist them.

Healthcare - Child Health

For low-income families access to healthcare is jeopardized by both affordability and access. According to Nemours Health & Prevention Services, 12 the top health concerns in Delaware were:

- Nutrition, Physical Activity & Weight;
- Access to Health Services;
- Mental & Emotional Health;
- Prenatal & Infant Health
- Health Education
- Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs
- Sexual Activity

Nemours' health assessment highlighted a lack of parents' understanding about normal versus overweight. Given the health risks associated with overweight and obesity, nutrition and health education are priorities in reducing morbidity among children.

The findings in this community health assessment were consistent with Saint Francis Healthcare's health assessment conducted in 2013.¹³ Pre-natal, maternal, infant, and child health were the foremost needs identified. Also, highlighted was the need for better coordination of health services among community centers and St. Francis to provide more comprehensive care.

The 2012 Delaware Healthcare Association Community Benefit/Community Health Needs Assessment Annual Report aggregates findings from the community health needs assessment that were conducted during the 2012-2013 calendar year. The assessment revealed several common themes, which were:

Improving Access to Healthcare Services. Having sufficient health insurance is the first step to gaining full access to the healthcare system, but it is not enough to guarantee service. Barriers to accessing timely, quality, and culturally sensitive health care services exist throughout Delaware. These barriers include the high cost of care, lack of adequate transportation, lack of healthcare professionals including primary care physicians and mental

¹² Nemours Health & Prevention Services Community Health Needs Assessment and Delaware Survey of Children's Health - June 5, 2014

¹³ Saint Francis Healthcare Community Health Needs Assessment Revised, November 2013

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health/behavioral health specialists, lack of outpatient care for substance use disorders, and a general lack of awareness about available community support services among low-income and minority populations.

• Reducing Health Disparities. According to the National Institutes of Health, health disparities refer to differences between groups of people that can affect how frequently a disease affects a group, how many people get sick, or how often the disease causes death. Many different populations are affected by disparities, including racial and ethnic minorities, residents of rural areas, women, children, elderly, and persons with disabilities. Health disparities emerged as a problem in almost every health category identified through the community health needs assessment process.

Resources for Head Start/ECAP-eligible Families

This section explains the community resources available to address the needs of Head Start/ECAPeligible children and their families.

Low-income families are served by many private and public organizations, including religious organizations.

In New Castle County, public and private agencies provide a range of services for Head Start/ECAP-eligible children. The most notable are state-funded programs for childcare, health insurance, early childhood development, and disabilities. Despite the economic downturn, Head Start/ECAP-eligible families, through education and guidance offered by these agencies, can access these services to improve the quality of their lives.

This section provides an overview of some of the resources available to Head Start/ECAP-eligible families.

ONE-STOP ENTRY POINT

Delaware State Service Centers

Administers multi-service facilities in which various state and private agencies are collocated, with the goal of providing one-stop centers for meeting human service needs. The following programs are offered by the Division: Family Support Services, including Community Resource and Assistance Services, Dental Transportation, Emergency Assistance Services, Utility Fund, Medical Fund, Kinship Care, Teen Vouchers, Diabetes Fund, Adopt-A-Family, and Family Visitation Centers; Office of Community Services, including Heating and Cooling Assistance, Emergency and Transitional Housing, Emergency Housing Assistance Fund; Community Services Block Grant; State Office of Volunteerism, including the Foster Grandparent Program, RSVP Program, State Volunteer Resource Center, and AmeriCorps.

Residents of Delaware have access to Directory of Human Services for Delaware, published by DHSS Division of State Service Centers. The directory is located at:

http://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dssc/files/2013 hsdirectory.pdf

The following State Service Centers are located in New Castle County:

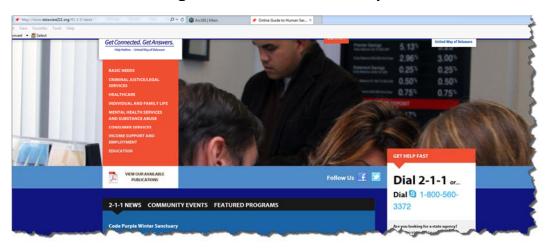
- Appoquinimink State Service Center, 122 Silver Lake Rd., Middletown, DE 19709
- Belvedere State Service Center, 310 Kiamensi Rd., Wilmington 19804
- Claymont State Service Center, 3301 Green St., Claymont, DE 19703
- DeLaWarr State Service Center, 500 Rogers Rd., New Castle 19720
- Floyd I. Hudson State Service Center, 501 Ogletown Rd., Newark 19711

Northeast State Service Center, 1624 Jessup St., Wilmington 19802

Winder Laird Porter State Service Center, 509 W. 8th St., Wilmington 19801

Delaware Helpline 2-1-1

Low-income and Head Start-eligible families are encouraged to use the 211 Helpline (http://www.delaware211.org), which is Delaware Helpline's free on-line service that allows families to access over 3,000 public, non-profit and faith-based agencies and programs; and search for human services referrals to community resources. This helpline provides information and referrals for services including, but not limited to: Financial Assistance, Emergency Housing and Food, Government/Information Service, Utilities Assistance, Legal Services, Child Support, Transportation, Mental Health Counseling, Donations, and other Family Issues.



CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Parent Information Center (PIC)

PIC delivers relevant and reliable information, education, and advocacy to assist parents and caregivers of children with diverse needs understand public education policy and options. PIC empowers parents by successfully helping them secure appropriate special education and related services. Through PIC, parents become their child's best lifelong advocates.

PIC administers Delaware's only Parent Training and Information center (PTI) funded in part by the US Department of Education/Office of Special Education Programs (CFDA84.328M) as mandated under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. The Parent Information Center (PIC) publishes a resource directory that provides a comprehensive list of resources accessible to Head Start-eligible families.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

The State of Delaware's Department of Labor provides both job training and job finding resources. For example, the "Delaware JobLink" is the state's publicly funded Internet tool for job seekers. Residents are able to apply for jobs online after registering on the site.

New Castle County also has employment agencies that provide permanent and temporary, full-time/part-time job placement. These resources can be found in the local Yellow Pages directory, in either print or online.

In addition, the school districts that serve each county offer adult job training, including GED programs that assist residents in becoming more marketable in the job market. Head Start/ECAP-eligible families can contact the school districts to learn about these opportunities.

FOOD ASSISTANCE

Low-income residents can obtain food assistance through Delaware's Food Supplement Program and through the many food banks (pantries) located throughout the state.

Delaware's Food Supplement Program

Delaware's Food Supplement Program enables low-income families to buy a variety of food that is the basis for better nutrition. It is part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food & Nutrition Service (FNS), a federal agency responsible for overseeing the federal government's Food Supplement Program.

The eligibility for the program is based on the federal poverty guidelines. Eligibility for this service is based on factors such as who lives and eats together, as well as relationships in the home and income. All children under the age of 22 years old who live with their parents must apply with their parents. Individuals who receive TANF or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) do not need to meet an income test in order to receive Food benefits. The maximum gross monthly income limit for most other individuals is set at 130% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).

Each month the funds to purchase food are issued electronically to the family's Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) card (Delaware Food First Card). The Food Supplement Program recipient uses this card at local grocery stores to access his/her food benefit. The following table shows the benefit families receive based on household size.

Food Banks (Pantries)

The Food Bank of Delaware is the major provider of food assistance, and it operates out of branches in Newark and Milford. It supplies food to qualified pantries throughout the state. The Food Bank distributes food to approximately 241,600 Delawareans annually through a network of 440 hunger-relief program partners, which includes the following:

- Nonprofit agencies
- · School and childcare centers
- State agencies
- Independent living facilities
- Shelters
- Summer Food Service Program sites
- Child and Adult Care Food Program sites
- Churches
- Senior centers
- Community centers

Nutrition Education

SNAP-Ed offers free classes or food demonstrations at the Food Bank of Delaware sites throughout the state. To stretch food dollars, SNAP participants may choose low-cost, calorie-dense foods that have low nutritional content and may lead to obesity.

The goal of SNAP-Ed is to "improve the likelihood that persons eligible for the SNAP/Food Supplemental Program will make healthy food choices within a limited budget and choose physically active lifestyles consistent with the current Dietary Guidelines for Americans and MyPyramid."

Head Start/ECAP-eligible families in need of food assistance contact the Delaware Helpline by dialing 211. They will be able to find food pantries in their area.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

The Delaware State Housing Authority's (DSHA) assist with providing quality affordable housing opportunities and appropriate supportive services to responsible low- and moderate-income Delawareans. DSHA publishes an annual *Delaware Affordable Housing Services Directory*. The directory contains information about DSHA's Affordable Housing Assistance Programs. DHSA has the following programs that can assist low-income, Head Start/ECAP eligible families:

- Public Housing Program
- Housing Choice Voucher Program (Formerly Section 8)
- Section 8 New Construction (Site-based Section 8)
- Referrals to Affordable and Subsidized Rental Sites throughout Delaware
- Referrals to Emergency Funds Providers
- Emergency Shelters & Transitional Housing
- Emergency Home Heating Fuel Assistance
- Emergency Financial Assistance (Security Deposit, Mortgage Payment, Small Funds)

Head Start/ECAP-eligible families can access these services by visiting a nearby State Service Center.

HOMELESSNESS SERVICES

The greatest resource for homelessness assistance for families with school-aged children is the <u>2013—2014 Homeless Education Directory and Resource Guide</u>, which is produced by the Delaware Department of Education. This comprehensive resource guide contains a list of state and local homeless liaisons, homeless shelters in each county, and other pertinent information. The document can be obtained from the Delaware Department of Education's website:

http://www.doe.k12.de.us/cms/lib09/DE01922744/Centricity/Domain/107/FY2014McKinney-VentoResourceGuide.pdf

The 2013—2014 Homeless Education Directory and Resource Guide is part of DOE's plan to ensure that all homeless children throughout the State of Delaware are afforded access to quality education, from pre-kindergarten through high school. This plan is designed to achieve the following:

- Inform local school districts of their responsibility to homeless children and youth;
- Provide policies that bring the State of Delaware into compliance with federal law; and
- Outline specific local, county and statewide activities to assure homeless students equal access to quality education.

District and local "homelessness liaisons" are at the core of Delaware's "homelessness" plan. District liaisons:

- Develop the capacity of school districts, shelters, social agencies and parents to act in ways that minimize the disruption of homeless children's education, and
- Provide direct assistance and resources to homeless children and their families, aimed at minimizing the disruption of those children's education.

More importantly, the "local liaison" is a primary contact between homeless families and school staff and district personnel, shelter workers, and other service providers. Local liaisons ensure that:

- Homeless children and youth are identified by either school personnel or through coordination activities with other entities and agencies;
- Homeless students enroll in, and have full and equal opportunity to succeed in the schools
 of the LEA;
- Homeless children and youth and their families receive educational services for which they
 are eligible, including Head Start, Even Start and preschool programs administered by the
 LEA and referrals to health, mental health, dental and other appropriate services;

- Parents and/or guardians of homeless children and youth are informed of educational and related opportunities available to their children, and are provided with meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their children;
- Parents and/or guardians are fully informed of all transportation services, including transportation to and from the school of origin, and are assisted in accessing transportation services:
- Enrollment disputes are mediated in accordance with the requirements of the McKinney-Vento Act; and
- Public notice of the educational rights of homeless students is disseminated to locations where they receive services under the McKinney-Vento Act.

Head Start/ECAP-eligible families can contact their local school district to obtain information about DOE's homelessness initiative.

Health Care and Dental Services, and Health Insurance

Low income families can apply for health insurance through the Delaware Healthy Children Program (DHCP) or through the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). DHCP is a low-cost health insurance program for uninsured children under age 19 with family income below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level. DHCP offers the benefits of most private health insurance plans, including routine check-ups, eye exams; dental care, and doctor and hospital services. A monthly fee ranges from \$10 to \$25 per month depending on income, without co-pays.

In their 2009 session, Delaware legislature extended the Delaware Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) to include low-cost health insurance coverage for children of families with personal incomes above 200% of the federal poverty level. Medicare provides insurance for 14% of Delaware residents, while Medicaid accounts for 11%.

Head Start/ECAP-eligible families can access these services through the State Service Centers.

CHILDCARE SERVICES

The following provides information about major childcare services.

Purchase of Care

Delaware's Purchase of Care (POC) program is a subsidy that supports early childhood and afterschool education and care for more than 15,000 children from birth through age 12 who live within 200% of the Federal Poverty Limits.

Recipients who qualify can choose from the following childcare resources:

- A State licensed Child Care Center
- A State licensed Child Care family or group home

 A license-exempt provider, such as a preschool, a school age program, relative or other person.

Head Start/ECAP-eligible families can visit one of the State Service Centers to apply for Purchase of Care.

Early Childhood Services

Delaware Stars for Early Success is a Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) for early care and education programs that assesses, improves, and communicates the level of quality. Delaware Stars establishes quality standards, provides technical assistance, and limited financial support to enrolled programs.

According to the Delaware Institute for Excellence in Early Childhood, of the 793 programs in New Castle County licensed by Delaware Office of Child Care Licensing only 324 participate in the Stars Program; and only 34 and 96 have quality ratings of 5 and 4, respectively

The following table contains a list of resources available for anyone interested in early childhood education.

Resource/Service	Resource/Service
Delaware Help Line	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention-
	Child Development
Centers for Disease Control and	Child Development Watch (DPH)
Prevention-Developmental Milestones	
Children and Families First (CFF)	Delaware Birth to Three Program (DMS)
Delaware Early Childhood Center	Delaware Early Childhood Council
Delaware Family Voices (Family to Family	Delaware Head Start and ECAP Programs
Health Information Center)	
Delaware Institute for Excellence in Early	Delaware Stars for Early Success
Childhood	
Delaware Vision 2015	Developmental Disabilities Council
Division of Child Mental Health (DSCYF)	Division of Social Services (Eligibility for
	TANF, Purchase of Care, Food Stamps)
Office of Child Care Licensing (DSCYF)	

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Head Start/ECAP-eligible families can obtain information about the early childhood programs by visiting the local Head Start/ECAP office or contacting the Department of Education (or nearby school district).

Appendix A: 2014-2015 Head Start Parent Survey

Area/Services	Level of Need (1) Low, (2) Some, (3) Moderate, (4) High)				Availability/Accessibility of Services (1) None, (2) Limited, (3) Adequate, (4) Good							
	N/A	1	2	3	4	Totl	N/A	1	2	3	4	Totl
EDUCATION												
ESL Training												
Raising Special Needs Child												
Child Development Training												
Parent Skills Training												
Literacy Training												
Computer Skills												
Resume Writing/Interview Skills												
Financial Assistance College												
GED												
EMPLOYMENT												
Employment Counseling												
Job Skills Training												
NUTRITION												
Weight Management												
Food A ssistance - WIC												
Food Assistance -SNAP												
Food Assistance-Pantry												
Healthy Eating Skills												
HEALTH												
Health Insurance												
Subsidized Healthcare												
CPR/First Aid Training												
Dental Care												
Mental Health Services												
Vision Services												
Substance Abuse Services												
SOCIAL SERVICES												
Adequate Housing												
Homelessness Services												
Transportation												
Affordable Childcare												
Home Heating Assistance												
Domestic Violence Services												
Child Support Assistance												

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Area/Services	(1) Lo	Level of Need (1) Low, (2) Some, (3) Moderate, (4) High)					Availability/Accessibility of Services (1) None, (2) Limited, (3) Adequate, (4) Good					
	N/A	1	2	3	4	Totl	N/A	1	2	3	4	Totl
Home-visiting services												

Appendix B: 2013 Demographic Data for Delaware

Subject	Delaware	
J	Estimate	Percent
SEX AND AGE		
Total population	925,749	925,749
Male	447,789	48.4%
Female	477,960	51.6%
Under 5 years	56,235	6.1%
5 to 9 years	57,145	6.2%
10 to 14 years	57,557	6.2%
15 to 19 years	57,933	6.3%
20 to 24 years	67,149	7.3%
25 to 34 years	119,039	12.9%
35 to 44 years	111,785	12.1%
45 to 54 years	130,801	14.1%
55 to 59 years	61,435	6.6%
60 to 64 years	59,725	6.5%
65 to 74 years	86,005	9.3%
75 to 84 years	43,225	4.7%
85 years and over	17,715	1.9%
18 years and over	722,061	78.0%
21 years and over	682,928	73.8%
62 years and over	182,713	19.7%
65 years and over	146,945	15.9%
18 years and over	722,061	722,061
Male	344,418	47.7%
Female	377,643	52.3%
65 years and over	146,945	146,945
Male	65,197	44.4%
Female	81,748	55.6%
RACE		
Total population	925,749	925,749
White	637,606	68.9%
Black or African American	200,249	21.6%
American Indian and Alaska Native	3,955	0.4%
Asian	33,639	3.6%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	841	0.1%
Some other race	23,029	2.5%
Some other race	25,927	2.8%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	80,944	8.7%
Total housing units	412,015	(X)

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Table 25. Delaware: 2013 ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates

* 2013 American Community Survey 1-Year

Appendix C: 2013 Demographic Data for New Castle County

Subject	New Castle County,	Delaware
·	Estimate	Percent
SEX AND AGE		
Total population	549,684	549,684
Male	265,377	48.3%
Female	284,307	51.7%
Under 5 years	33,694	6.1%
5 to 9 years	35,051	6.4%
10 to 14 years	33,811	6.2%
15 to 19 years	36,628	6.7%
20 to 24 years	42,196	7.7%
25 to 34 years	76,086	13.8%
35 to 44 years	70,247	12.8%
45 to 54 years	79,743	14.5%
55 to 59 years	35,843	6.5%
60 to 64 years	32,806	6.0%
65 to 74 years	41,564	7.6%
75 to 84 years	22,267	4.1%
85 years and over	9,748	1.8%
18 years and over	427,020	77.7%
21 years and over	402,008	73.1%
62 years and over	93,269	17.0%
65 years and over	73,579	13.4%
18 years and over	427,020	427,020
Male	203,584	47.7%
Female	223,436	52.3%
65 years and ayer	72.570	72.570
65 years and over Male	73,579	73,579 42.8%
Female	31,509 42,070	57.2%
DACE		
RACE Total normalation	540.694	540 694
Total population	549,684	549,684
White Black or African American	358,170	65.2%
	133,494	24.3%
American Indian and Alaska Native	1,138	0.2%
Asian	27,314	5.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	456	0.1%
Some other race Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	16,972 50,644	3.1% 9.2%
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Total housing units	218,590	(X)

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* 2013 American Community Survey 1-Year

Appendix D: Estimated Number of Head Start-Eligibility (Zip Code)¹⁴

19702 ZIP CODE PROFILE

Table 27.	27. 19702 ZIP CODE PROFILE									
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF					
19702	0	69	305	191	40	605				
19702	1	98	321	252	37	708				
19702	2	112	285	235	30	662				
19702	3	119	292	225	24	660				
19702	4	135	358	276	36	805				
19702	5	121	337	254	17	729				
Total		654	1898	1433	184	4169				

19703 ZIP CODE PROFILE

Table 28.	Table 28. 19703 ZIP CODE PROFILE										
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF	Total					
19703	0	21	99	78	11	209					
19703	1	28	90	71	14	203					
19703	2	53	108	96	12	269					
19703	3	54	117	111	13	295					
19703	4	52	118	97	14	281					
19703	5	48	115	106	10	279					
Total		256	647	559	74	1536					

Table 29. 19711 ZIP CODE PROFILE										
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF	Total				
19711	0	27	153	97	16	293				
19711	1	48	143	112	20	323				
19711	2	44	124	101	10	279				
19711	3	47	120	87	12	266				
19711	4	53	140	113	12	318				
19711	5	52	136	109	21	318				

¹⁴ July, August & September 2014 thru Oct 10, 2014

Total	271	216	619	91	1797	
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Table 30.	0. 19713 ZIP CODE PROFILE								
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF	Total			
19713	0	32	202	130	24	388			
19713	1	56	207	148	14	425			
19713	2	67	200	164	10	441			
19713	3	77	202	158	13	450			
19713	4	70	205	164	13	452			
19713	5	62	185	148	14	409			
Total		364	1201	912	88	2565			

19720 ZIP CODE PROFILE

Table 31.	31. 19720 ZIP CODE PROFILE								
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF	Total			
19720	0	103	468	357	69	997			
19720	1	158	467	379	57	1061			
19720	2	218	506	430	52	1206			
19720	3	206	472	396	38	1112			
19720	4	182	461	371	57	1071			
19720	5	169	471	377	56	1073			
Total		1036	2845	2310	329	6520			

Table 32.	19734 ZIF	19734 ZIP CODE PROFILE							
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF	Total			
19734	0	5	30	23	2	60			
19734	1	11	37	21	1	70			
19734	2	9	27	23	1	60			
19734	3	12	36	27	1	76			
19734	4	11	36	21	2	70			
19734	5	6	30	26	4	66			
Total		54	196	141	11	402			

Table 33.	19801 ZIF	19801 ZIP CODE PROFILE							
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF	Total			
19801	0	73	194	185	74	526			
19801	1	144	225	219	61	649			
19801	2	150	236	228	47	661			
19801	3	156	251	241	44	692			
19801	4	196	289	280	51	816			
19801	5	115	234	219	37	605			
Total		834	1429	1372	314	3949			

19802 ZIP CODE PROFILE

Table 34.	19802 ZIF	19802 ZIP CODE PROFILE							
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF	Total			
19802	0	123	308	281	89	801			
19802	1	182	305	296	75	858			
19802	2	179	300	281	54	814			
19802	3	216	325	308	57	906			
19802	4	195	302	285	46	828			
19802	5	200	342	327	61	930			
Total		1095	1882	1778	382	5137			

Table 35.	19803 ZIP CODE PROFILE							
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF	Total		
19803	0	2	17	11	2	32		
19803	1	6	21	16	2	45		
19803	2	4	21	16	2	43		
19803	3	7	22	11	2	42		
19803	4	7	19	13	1	40		
19803	5	6	20	11	1	38		
Total		32	120	78	10	240		

Table 36.	19804 ZIP CODE PROFILE							
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF	Total		
19804	0	19	126	92	12	249		
19804	1	23	114	85	11	233		
19804	2	37	140	103	14	294		
19804	3	36	109	84	16	245		
19804	4	36	118	95	10	259		
19804	5	42	130	93	17	282		
Total		193	737	552	80	1562		

19805 ZIP CODE PROFILE

Table 37.	19805 ZIP CODE PROFILE							
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF	Total		
19805	0	136	510	417	102	1165		
19805	1	216	479	427	79	1201		
19805	2	278	540	491	94	1403		
19805	3	270	550	495	79	1394		
19805	4	251	548	495	79	1373		
19805	5	232	535	478	93	1338		
Total		1383	3162	2803	526	7874		

Table 38.	19809 ZIF	19809 ZIP CODE PROFILE							
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF	Total			
19809	0	10	60	45	11	126			
19809	1	21	58	54	5	138			
19809	2	34	79	70	12	195			
19809	3	35	70	63	12	180			
19809	4	45	70	67	8	190			
19809	5	24	62	56	10	152			
Total		169	399	355	58	981			

Table 39.	19810 ZIF	19810 ZIP CODE PROFILE							
ZIP_ADR	Age	Childcare	Medicaid	SNAP	TANF	Total			
19810	0	4	44	35	5	88			
19810	1	9	46	36	5	96			
19810	2	13	49	40	5	107			
19810	3	15	43	29	3	90			
19810	4	9	39	30	7	89			
19810	5	10	44	34	5	98			
Total		60	265	204	30	574			