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**Head Start**

*is building families*

**A child's educational success  
begins at Head Start**



## Give your child a Head Start!

SDC Head Start is a community action program that provides comprehensive early childhood education to low-income children and involves their parents in the total child development process.

Funding for the Social Development Commission's Milwaukee Head Start Program is provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families.

The nutrition component is funded through the United States Department of Agriculture, Child & Adult Care Food Program.

*We want your children to learn from Milwaukee's best educators.*

## Who are we?

For more than 44 years, the Social Development Commission (SDC) has provided comprehensive early childhood education to children of low-income families. Parents are empowered to be involved in the complete child development process helping their children to learn, grow, and discover their own talents. Head Start is the name of the educational program offered through the SDC.

## What is Head Start?

- A free child and family development program
- A half-day and full-day learning program to advance children's education and prepare them for kindergarten.
- Parent support and self-development resources

## Who is eligible for Head Start?

- Children ages 3-5
- Families who meet federal income guidelines (see chart)
- Children with disabilities are a priority for enrollment

## What does Head Start offer?

- Individual educational experiences
- A daily breakfast/snack and lunch
- Referrals for health and dental screening
- Family support services
- Volunteer opportunities

## When do Head Start classes operate?

Head Start operates from September to June, and opportunities for year-round sessions are available at various locations. Our services are for the entire family, children with disabilities, and at various locations, transportation is also offered. Class sessions include: Half-day and Full-day, four or five times a week.

## How much does it cost?

Head Start children's education is **free**. A portion of the funding for the SDC's Milwaukee Head Start program is provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human services, Administration for Children and Families. The gap between program costs and government funding is underwritten by private donations made possible through the Social Development Foundation. A tax exempt entity, the Social Development Foundation was incorporated in 2003 and is a 501(c)3. The SDF was established for the sole purpose of providing financial support for the programs and initiatives of the Community Relations - Social Development Commission (SDC).



# Enroll your child now!

Upon enrollment you will **need to bring** documentation of: **Child's age; household income; Health Card and information regarding dental, immunizations, and physical screenings.**

## How to apply for Head Start

### 2009-2010 Income Guidelines

- Your child should be 3 years of age.
- Check to see if you meet the federal income guidelines below:

Family unit	Income
1	\$10,830
2	\$14,570
3	\$18,310
4	\$22,050
5	\$25,790
6	\$29,530
7	\$33,270
8	\$37,010

*Add \$3,740 for each additional member.  
(We serve some over-income families.)*

- Locate your zip code and Head Start center closest to you. (P 6)
- Find the corresponding phone number and call that center closest to you to set up an application appointment.

*The definition of "family" to be used in determining eligibility is found in 45 CFR 1305.2(e), which defines family as all persons living in the same household who are:*

- Supported by the income of the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the child enrolling or participating in the program, and
- related to the parents(s) or guardian(s) by blood, marriage or adoption.

*The period of time to be considered for eligibility is the twelve months immediately preceding the month in which application or re-application for enrollment of a child in a Head Start program is made, or for the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year in which the application or re-application is made, whichever more accurately reflects the family's current needs.*

# Program Components

## PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Head Start involves parents in every aspect of their child's education. Parents gain skills through participation in classroom activities, parent meetings and as members of policy-making committees. Workshops in parenting skills, community advocacy, healthy relationships, personal growth and development are provided.

## EDUCATION

Head Start believes that the parents are the primary educators of their children. An individual educational plan is developed for each child, and parents and teachers work together to enrich the child's educational environment so that children enjoy learning, develop a positive attitude toward school, and reach their maximum potential.

## HEALTH

Head Start assists parents in securing a complete physical and dental exam and provides daily health, nutrition and dental care for every child in the program. Emphasis is placed on preventive care.

## SOCIAL SERVICES

Head Start recruits and enrolls children from low-income families. A broad range of needed supportive services is provided directly and through referral to existing community resources.

## NUTRITION

Head Start provides each child with one-third the daily minimum nutrition requirements according to USDA guidelines. A variety of attractive, new and culturally diverse foods are offered through family-style dining. Classroom activities include cooking experiences. Nutrition education is a vital part of the daily curriculum.

## MENTAL HEALTH

Parents, staff and children work together and are given assistance to build a support system that fosters a healthy, happy environment at home, school and play.

## DISABILITIES SERVICES

Head Start makes available directly or in cooperation with other agencies, services in accordance with an individualized education program (IEP) for 10% of enrolled children who meet the disabilities criteria.

## TRANSITION SERVICES

Head Start implements and maintains procedures to support successful transitions and continuity of programming for enrolled children and families from previous programs into Head Start, and from Head Start into elementary school programs, or other child care settings.

# Head Start Sites

## Social Development Commission

### Main Office

4041 N. Richards St., 53212  
906-2777

### \*• SDC Capitol Drive

5305 W. Capitol Dr., 53216  
442-5868

### SDC Cudahy

5885 S. Packard Ave.  
Cudahy, WI 53110  
482-0101

### \*• SDC Green Tree

3744 W. Green Tree Rd., 53209  
228-8250

### \*• SDC Johnson Square

2430 W. Wells St., 53233  
937-3940

### \*• SDC North

606 W. Concordia Ave., 53212  
562-8600

### SDC South

1000 S. Layton Blvd., 53215  
383-4004

### • SDC West Allis

6682 W. Greenfield Ave.  
West Allis 53214  
453-5700

### • SDC 61st Street

2354 S. 61st St.  
West Allis 53219  
541-6091

### • SDC 78th Street

7833 W. Capitol Dr., 53222  
616-5000

### \*• SDC 102nd Street

10232 W. Fond du Lac Ave.  
53224  
353-1680

## Council for the Spanish Speaking - Guadalupe

### • Main Office

1648 S. 37th St., 53215  
384-5122

### Child Development Center St. Joseph

1600 W. Oklahoma Ave., 53215  
384-8801

### Jo's Day Care Academy

3027 W. Greenfield Ave., 53215  
385-9830

### \* Loyola

1645 S. 36th St., 53215  
384-9830

### North

2669 N. Richards St., 53212  
263-4533

### South

239 W. Washington St., 53204  
384-8260

## Northcott Neighborhood House

### • Main Office

\*• Northcott Center  
2460 N. 6th St., 53212  
372-3770

### \*• Fond du Lac Center

3601 W. Fond Du Lac, 53216  
444-3640

### \*• Lisbon Center

3711 W. Lisbon Ave., 53208  
933-9961

## Day Care Services for Children, Inc.

### • Main Office

4221 N. 35th St., 53216  
871-8500

### • Baird

2210 W. Becher St., 53215  
645-2003

### \*• Parklawn

4310 N. 46th St., 53218  
445-3116

### \*• Parklawn II

4455 W. Congress., 53218  
873-9781

### • Virginia

647 W. Virginia St., 53204  
224-6160

## Next Door Foundation

### \*• Center-Based

2545 N. 29th St., 53210  
562-2929

### • Early Head Start

2545 N. 29th St., 53210  
562-2929

## Urban Day

### Urban Day I

1441 N. 24th St., 53205  
937-8400

### \* Urban Day II

3774 N. 12th St., 53206  
263-2781

\* Full day

• Handicap Accessible



# Head Start

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[www.cr-sdc.org](http://www.cr-sdc.org)

*Head Start presently serves over  
3,300 children and their families at  
45 convenient locations throughout  
Milwaukee County.*



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