



Promoting the healthy development of children and families at home, in child care, and in the community.

2018 Child Care Resource and Referral

Tompkins County

15 Centers
5 Head Start
49 Family/Group
16 School Age
108 New Spaces Developed

Total children under age 5 = 6,400
Total children under age 5 living in poverty = 1,336

Only 1/3 of children get the benefits of quality care and education

Cortland County

6 Centers
12 Head Start
25 Family/Group
11 School Age
70 New Spaces Developed

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

1,084 Children Fed
261,961 Meals
\$333,297 for Local Food Purchases

Child Care Quality Improvement

477 Children Benefit from
43 Quality Assessments
389 Different Providers Trained
2,235 Hours



2018 Family Services

112
0 - 2
Years Old

79
3 - 5
Years Old

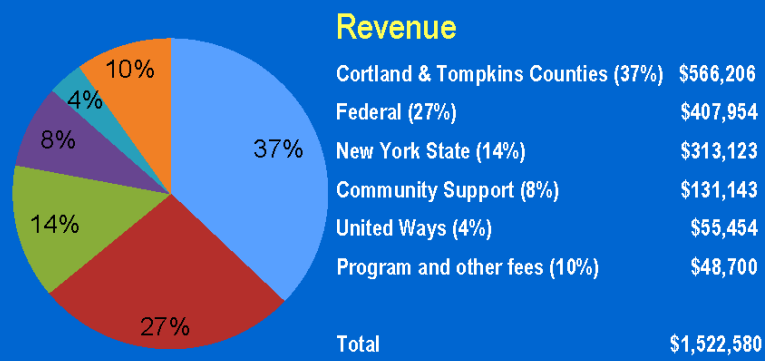
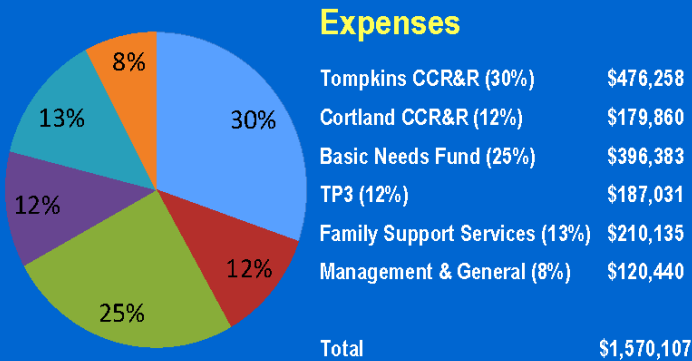
56
Over 5
Years Old

102 Families (60%) Obtained/
Maintained Stable Housing

Total Families Served = 171
Total Children Served = 247

82 Parents needed Child Care
for work or school
51 Found Child Care
23 Found Regulated Care

60% of children received Ages and Stages Assessments
17% children are receiving Early Intervention or Special Education Services



2018 Projects

Literacy and Family Education Initiatives

- ◆ 7 showings of Raising of America; co-sponsored with Cooperative Extension Resilience: The Biology of Stress, the Science of Hope
- ◆ "I am PEACE" book on mindfulness gifted from Family and Children's Services
- ◆ Read Along, Sing Along, Love Songs and Bags to Informal Caregivers in collaboration with Family Reading Partnership
- ◆ Cavity Free Kids Program in Child Care
- ◆ NYS "Starting Life Together" New parent guide distributed
- ◆ Distributed 1,500 books from the Barnes and Noble Book Drive
- ◆ Two staff members were trained as Certified Lactation Counselors

Advocacy and Lawmaker Education

- ◆ Surveyed 545 parents on their child care needs
- ◆ Launched Vote with Kids in Mind community initiative
- ◆ Educated providers regarding Emergency Legally Exempt regulations
- ◆ Educated providers on five hour health and safety course requirement
- ◆ Hosted a legislators panel for "Once Upon a Time" when universal child care almost became a reality
- ◆ Met with Legislators regarding the Empire State Coalition, Early Care and Learning Council and Winning Beginnings NY Agendas

Recruitment and Retention

- ◆ Building Access to Child Care project bringing together affordable housing and home based child care
- ◆ Cornell Design Team Project
- ◆ GIS Mapping of child care
- ◆ Secured Summer Camp Retention grant
- ◆ Enrolled 110 providers, 19 groups and summer camps to offer subsidized child care for 324 children

