



STORYTELLER

CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY'S CHILDREN

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MISSION

Storyteller Children's Center provides quality, tuition-free early childhood education for homeless and at-risk children, as well as comprehensive support services for their families.

In addition to its excellent preschool program serving about 100 children each year, Storyteller Children's Center helps families in crisis achieve stability. Parents are able to pursue work or attend school while their children are enrolled. Children receive nutritious meals, medical screenings, and therapy if needed for developmental delays. On-site counseling, parent education classes and referral services are offered. Most importantly, the Storyteller teachers and staff provide a stable, nurturing environment so both children and families can feel safe and secure. The need for our program is dire: for every child that attends Storyteller, another must be placed on the waiting list.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Storyteller's program is multi-cultural and bilingual, with a curriculum that encourages children to be actively involved in the learning process.

Storyteller employs 13 teachers and a full-time director.

Children who attend Storyteller come from families with extremely low incomes – \$20,000 or less annually for a family of four.

Children ages 18 months through five years attend the program.

Storyteller Children's Center works in collaboration with the Community Action Commission Head Start and Early Head Start programs.

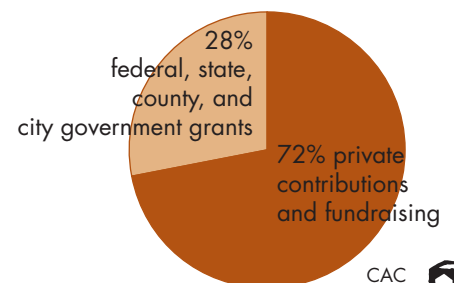
Services provided to children and families include:

- Early Childhood Education and Childcare
- Family Support Services and Counseling
- Case Management
- Parent Support Groups and Education Workshops
- Mental Health Services
- Disability Services
- Health, Vision and Dental Screenings and Referrals
- Nutrition Services

TIMELINE: STORYTELLER CHILDREN'S CENTER

- 1988 — Founded
- 1991 — Incorporated and moved into room at First Congregational Church
- 1998 — Received National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) accreditation
- 1999 — Began collaboration with Community Action Commission/Head Start
- 2000 — Moved school into 2115 State Street facility
- 2007 — Opened second school at 2121 De la Vina Street

ANNUAL BUDGET



CAC
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