



JI PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

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FAMILY-FRIENDLY CITY SUMMIT

The **Family Friendly City Summit Final Report** was distributed to partners. A group of high-level local leaders has coalesced and will meet for the first time in October to determine next steps for community implementation work in the identified areas of,

- 1) a public awareness campaign;
- 2) exploration of a public financing initiative;
- 3) legislative advocacy; and
- 4) community collaboration with affinity groups.



QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

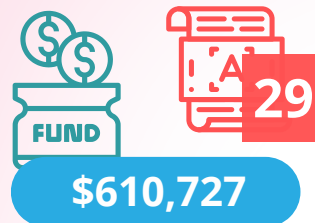


JI received a record **92 applications** for quality improvement MOUs, **15 in the month of August**. JI has worked through the required prioritization of applications as requests for support outweigh statewide funding.



Additional funding was received for programs without a Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCCAP) agreement, and JI was able to allocate these funds in full.

EMERGING + EXPANDING (E+E) CHILD CARE GRANT



E+E GRANT FUNDS ALLOCATED

A total of **29 applications** have been submitted for this funding stream, and **7 have been approved**, totaling **\$610,727 in funding allocated** to new or expanding early childhood education programs in our community.

PARTNERSHIPS



The Healthy Universal Preschool Collaborative is underway. The **first UPK Co-Design meeting held** in-person with 12 stakeholders present including representation from Child Care Health Consultants, Colorado Community Health Alliance, Fountain-Ft. Carson School District, ECE Centers and EPC Public Health. Separate meetings were held with The Resource Exchange and two Family Child Care Homes. **Applications have been received from 25 ECE programs** who wish to participate, as well as three Child Care Health Consultants.

ADVANCING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS PROGRAM



- A total of **18 participants have been enrolled** in this new workforce development program for the fall, and they are working to enroll in classes at **Pikes Peak State College** to gain their teacher/teacher assistant credential.
- Career navigation was provided to **70 professionals** this month.



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UNIVERSAL PRE-K

Now Colorado Universal Preschool Program (CUPP)

- The UPK team had a total of **2,300 contacts in the month of August — the highest number of contacts to date.** The vast majority of these contacts were families needing assistance with applications.
- The **new payment date for UPK created some challenges** for providers causing some providers not to be paid for students this month.
- An additional **\$1 million footnote was allocated to LCOs.** JI received \$60,138 of this funding to utilize this fiscal year.
- JI continues to participate in an active group of LCOs to **advocate for LCO funding.** A statewide LCO retreat is in development to build relationships and develop a shared agenda for future work.



202 PROVIDERS

- **76** school district-based (15 school districts total, all districts in El Paso County are participating)
- **43** Family child care teachers
- **83** Center-based programs
- **66** CCCAP programs



6,161 UPK SEATS
Registered Seats



4,381 MATCHED
4-year-olds | 532 unmatched



1,780 AVAILABLE
Registered Seats
Includes 975 IEP Seats



4,913 FAMILY APPLICATIONS

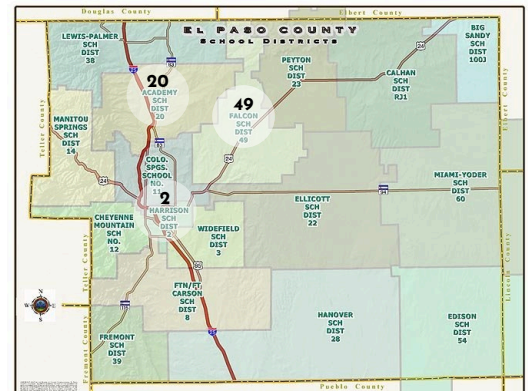


Highest monthly volume

2,300 CONTACTS DURING JULY

Sixty-five percent (**58%**) of contacts in August were with families, the majority of whom needed technical assistance with their applications for Year Two.

- Family calls/emails for August: **1,340**
- Provider calls/emails for August: **960**



Areas of El Paso County with low availability to meet need: D20, D49, D2.



UPK DATA IS FOR AUGUST 2024.



PROGRAM REORGANIZATION

Jl continues to staff the Pathways team and is happy to announce that Troy Paben, previous Jl Program Specialist has taken on the role of CYDC Manager. Hiring is now focused on building a team of shelter staff.



COLLABORATIVE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The State Board of Human Services approved CMP allocations on August 9th, and has aligned their fiscal year to July 1–June 30. A draft budget will be put forth to the REACH Committee for a vote in month of September.



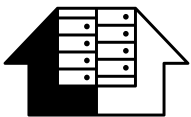
JUVENILE ASSESSMENT CENTER



- Jl has given notice to New Altitude and will **move into the JAC at Galileo and the Las Animas office space on October 1st.**



- Jl will host a **volunteer painting day** at Galileo through COSILoveYou on **October 5th.**



- JAC colocation intent has been given by **Mission Possible, El Paso County Department of Human Services, Success 4 Life Tutoring, Colorado Community Health Alliance, Probation, Diversus Health, and New Horizons Family Services.**



- Several key items are in draft for JACV Committee review including a **data sharing agreement, JAC and Shelter eligibility criteria, and assessment tool utilization protocol.**



- An after-school program has been created and is in review.** Jl is pursuing licensing for this programming.

SERVICE PROVISION



TRUANCY/COMMUNITY ISSTS

Limited Individualized Service and Support Team (ISST) service provision resumed this month and **two youth and their families were supported** through the ISST process.



CARE COORDINATION

A total of **36 youth and families are being supported** with intensive care coordination through Jl.

COLORADO YOUTH DETENTION CONTINUUM



The ebb and flow of bed use continues to challenge screeners and bed managers daily, both locally and across the state. **During the month of August, we were at or over cap for 30 days.**

Several **organizations have reached out to Jl, expressing interest in partnership under the CYDC umbrella.** Jl is developing a simple application process for these providers that will be run through the REACH committee.

