



# 2014-2015 ANNUAL REPORT



## Our Mission

Lead the charge to brilliant outcomes for the children of our community by ensuring equitable access to the highest quality learning and care.

Dear Launch Friends,

Thank you for making 2014-2015 a wonderful year! Thanks to your support, more than 1,350 children joined the Launch family, made new friends, discovered new interests, and developed the academic and social-emotional skills needed for success.



This year, our staff strongly advocated for the passage of the Seattle Preschool Program and served on the implementation committee. We believe that the Seattle Preschool Program will help families by expanding access to quality preschool, especially for families who otherwise wouldn't be able to afford it. We also thought it was important to be at the table and help shape the program as it evolves. We'll be one of the inaugural providers this fall with 5 preschool locations and are looking forward to serving even more preschoolers through this program!

We had a big change this year when we moved to a new office in Georgetown this spring. When we moved into the old office in 2005, we had 5 locations and 60 staff. Now just ten years later, we have 9 locations and nearly 100 teachers and staff! One of our favorite things about the new office is the large training space where we can host professional development for our teachers as well as community meetings and family education classes.

We're so excited to see all of the energy and enthusiasm in our region about early learning and youth programming. Thank you for being a supporter of our work and for making 2014-2015 great!

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Brianna Jackson  
Executive Director

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# Our Programs

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## Preschool

During 2014-2015 we served 376 children in our early learning programs. All of our preschool programs have a quality rating of Excellent through Early Achievers, Washington State's early learning quality rating and improvement system.

During the year, our preschoolers learned the skills they need to successfully enter kindergarten in a fun, hands-on way. Children grow and develop through structured play, assisted by their teachers. Our programs help children build a strong foundation for long-term success.

Our goal is to help children gain the tools necessary to be successful in any learning environment, to be proud of who they are and to be thoughtful members of the community.

## School Age

We served a total of 990 children in our school age programs over the year through our before and after school programs and full-day programs during school breaks for children in grades K-5.

Each day, our children have time for nutritious snacks, academic work, outdoor play, and engaging enrichment activities. The school year focuses on building strong teacher-child relationships as well as the child's academic, emotional, and life skills. We offer each child a safe physical and emotional space to help them develop a grounded and strong sense of self.

## Summer Learning

During the summer, 785 children attended our preschool, Leap Ahead kindergarten-readiness, and summer learning programs.

A break from school is a wonderful time for children to decompress, play outdoors, meet new friends and build memories with old ones. It's a time to make messy art, experience nature, listen to a new song, and discover their vibrant world.

The summer program provides a fun and stimulating environment while avoiding summer learning loss for elementary students and preparing preschoolers to enter kindergarten. Students explore the world around them and learn through hands-on learning activities.



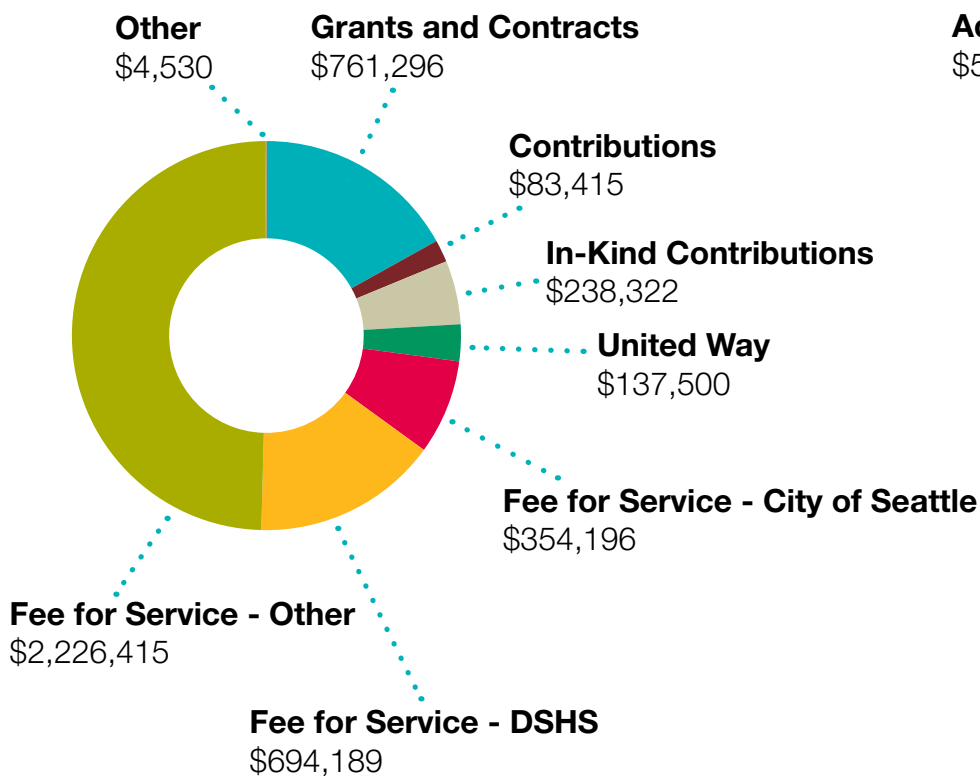
## Our Success

- **83%** of Launch preschoolers graduated preschool ready to enter kindergarten
- **91%** of school-age students developed or strengthened social and emotional skills
- **93%** of parents & guardians agree that Launch supports their child's academic development
- **95%** of parents & guardians agree that Launch supports their child's social-emotional development and well-being.



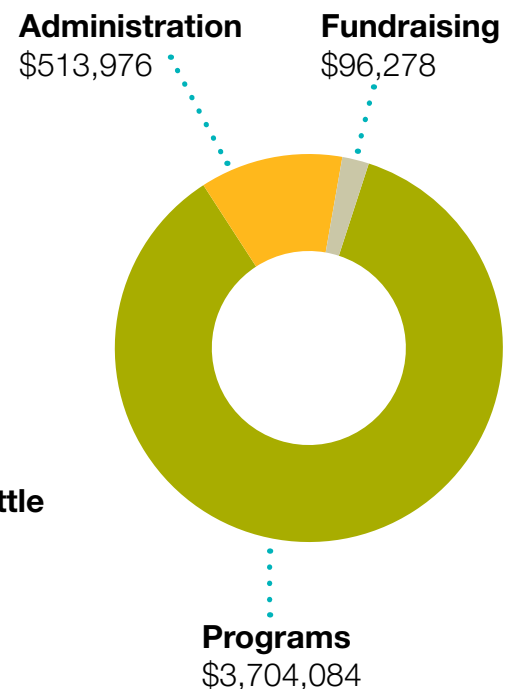
## 2014-2015 Financial Information

### Revenue



**Total Revenue: \$4,499,863**

### Expenses



**Total Expenses: \$4,314,338**

In 2014-2015, we provided **more than \$325,000 in uncompensated tuition and tuition assistance** to lower-income families.

## Thank you to our generous donors who make our work possible!

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