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2023
ANNUAL REPORT

— EPISCOPAL —
**Children's
Services**

THE MISSION OF EPISCOPAL CHILDREN'S SERVICES

is creating opportunities for the children we serve to reach their full potential.

CREATING

We continually improve the art and skill of teaching young children to grow intellectually, emotionally, physically, and socially.

OPPORTUNITIES

We build foundations for the future with strong learning environments for children, support and education for parents, and professional development for teachers and staff.

THE CHILDREN WE SERVE

We serve our community's most vulnerable children and families- those living in poverty and children with disabilities - with high quality early learning as well as comprehensive health and wellness services.

REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL

Children who enter kindergarten ready to learn have better outcomes for their entire lives. It all begins with quality early learning.



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AGENCY REPORT FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

EPISCOPAL CHILDREN'S SERVICES IS REPORTING OUR MOST SUCCESSFUL YEAR IN OUR HISTORY.

With the hard work of a dedicated team, we continue to expand our revenues while maximizing the dollars that directly pay for desperately needed programming.

BUT THESE INVESTMENTS HAVE A PRICE.

We must prove that our local communities value these investments by raising local support from contributions and other revenues. These funds are crucial to ensure our community is preparing our youngest citizens are entering school ready to learn. Because when children succeed in school, they enter the workforce prepared to compete in the global economy.



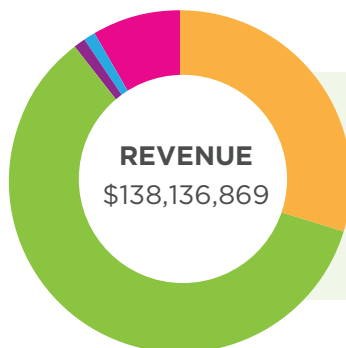
To continue this desperately needed investment, we need the support of every sector - corporate, local government, foundations, service organizations, religious groups, and individuals. Every donation, no matter the size, is critical.

AUDIT RESULTS

Our financial audit was performed by FORVIS, ranked among the largest public accounting firms in the United States.

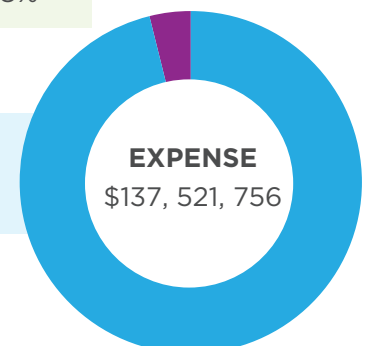
Episcopal Children's Services is understandably proud of our track record of receiving an unqualified opinion on our audits, with no material weaknesses or issues of non-compliance in our financial statements. In addition to the audit of our Consolidated Financial Statements, FORVIS also audited compliance for each major Federal Program and State Program as required.

AGENCY REVENUE/EXPENSE



Head Start/Early Head Start Grants	\$41,118,732	30%
ELC of North Florida	\$82,735,877	60%
Kids Hope Alliance	\$1,368,067	1%
Child Care Food Program	\$1,475,950	1%
Contributions/Other	\$11,438,243	8%

Program Services	\$132,213,887	96%
Management & General	\$5,307,869	



HEAD START / EARLY HEAD START

We want every child to enter school ready to learn. Our Head Start/Early Head Start program provides comprehensive child development services focused on predictors of school success. Our services ensure that children learn and develop in high-quality environments while giving their families the ability to work, enhance their own education or develop skills through job training. Our early education and parent engagement services are implemented by a strong team of professionals with extensive experience and credentials. Our services support the most vulnerable infants, toddlers, preschoolers, pregnant women, and their families.



93%
Parents
Participating
in Parent
Engagement

11%
Children with
Diagnosed
Disability

3,336
Children
Served





EARLY LEARNING SERVICES

In partnership with the Early Learning Coalition of North Florida, we provide low-income families with needed financial assistance, so their children can learn in quality care through the following:

- **Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten:** Episcopal Children's Services provides four-year-olds with free, high quality educational program using professional curriculum and staff to prepare our young learners for success in kindergarten.
- **School Readiness:** We help low-income families pay for childcare so their parents can earn income with the assurance that their children are thriving in high-quality care.

9,218
Families
Financially
Assisted

13,163
Parents &
Caregivers
provided with
free childcare
referrals

In addition, we operate the Child Care Resource and Referral Program, where parents and caregivers are provided with free information on local childcare providers to meet their family's specific needs.



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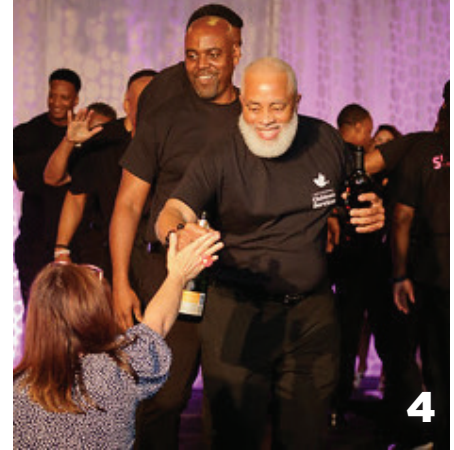
Teachers must be equipped with tools and knowledge to nurture child development. Ongoing coaching ensures that educators are provided with ongoing feedback on the quality of their work. In partnership with the Kids Hope Alliance, teams of certified coaches and technical staff work directly with childcare facilities in Duval County to improve children's outcomes. Our comprehensive approach includes environmental quality, teacher effectiveness, and use of quality curricula to help centers improve their quality and educational outcomes.

EARLY LEARNING CENTER AT GOOD SHEPHERD

With small class sizes and individual plans for each child, we are fostering childhood development in the Riverside area of Jacksonville. We believe that the potential for learning is greatest during the early years of a child's life, so we strive to provide children with learning opportunities at the earliest possible age. Our learning experiences support children's continuous physical, social, emotional, and intellectual growth and development. We encourage parent involvement because parents are the first and primary educators of their children.



CEO Connie Stophel welcomed our guests



Our "Shoe Guys" from Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity made sure everyone had a great time!

WINE WOMEN & SHOES

On May 18, 2023, our generous friends kicked up their heels for Episcopal Children's Services' 3rd Annual Wine Women & Shoes at Timuquana Country Club.

Guests sampled delicious hors d'oeuvres, competed in the Best in Shoe contest, selected a surprise bottle from the Wall of Wine, entered to win a Key to the Getaway trip to Sonoma, CA, and bid in the silent auction.

Our event program featured an unforgettable fashion show, mission moments, live auction, and the opportunity to give from the heart. Thanks to our generous supporters, Wine Women & Shoes netted more than \$100,000 to benefit our children and families.



The evening was emceed by Jordan Wilkerson, co-host of First Coast Living on First Coast News.



Fashion Show Finale



Joy Brown, Parent of the Year, gave our Mission Moment



Winner of "The Perfect Stiletto"



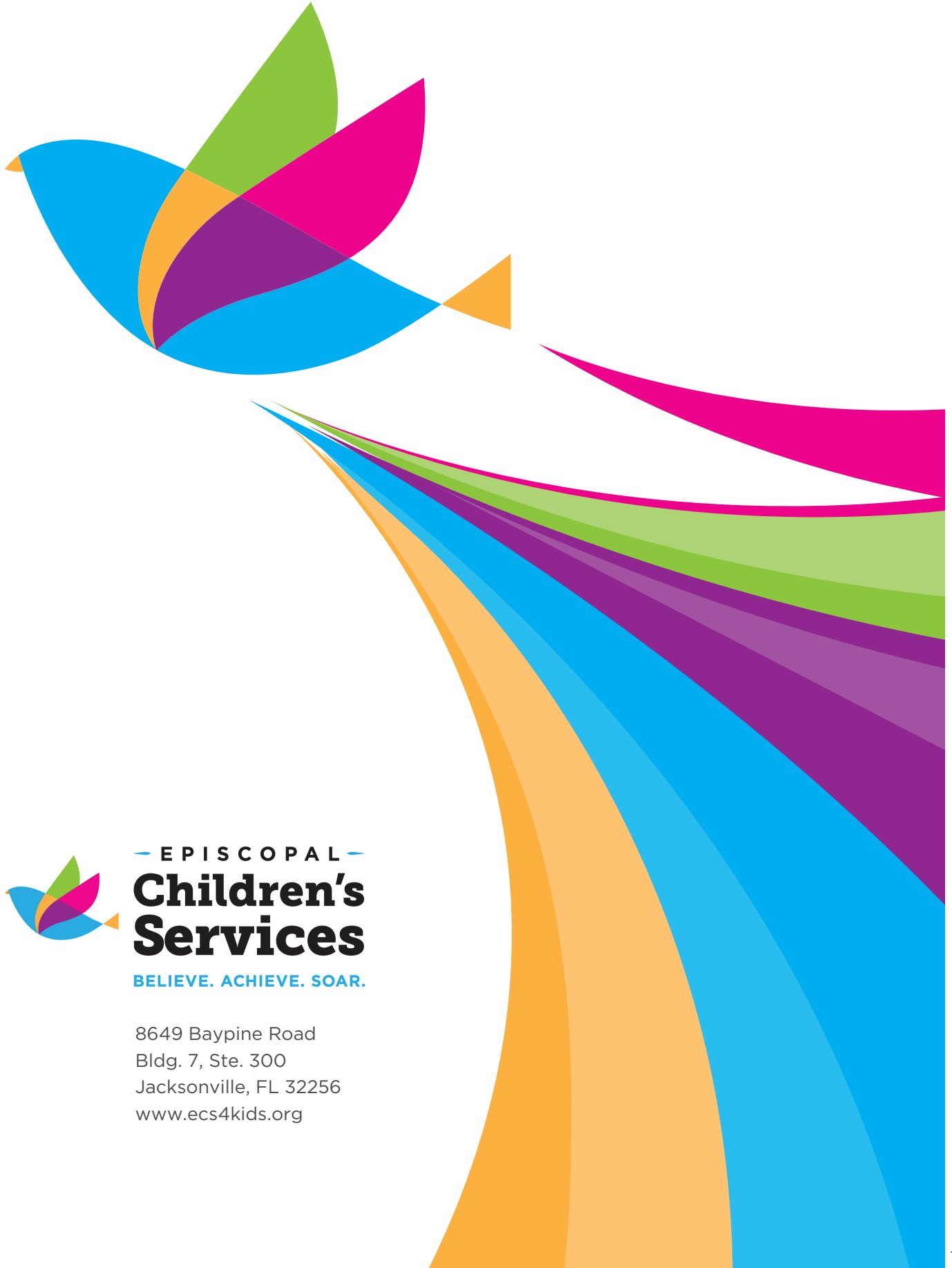
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