



# LCDF Early Head Start

ANNUAL REPORT:

NMSU CENTER-BASED & HOME-BASED

JUNE 1, 2020 TO MAY 30, 2021

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EXPANSION CENTER-BASED & NMCF CENTER-BASED

SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 TO AUGUST 31, 2021

POLICY APPROVAL ON 11/16/2021

BOARD APPROVAL ON 11/30/2021

# Our Mission

LCDF Early Head Start builds a foundation for lives of health, growth and lifelong learning in Children, families & staff.



# Our Vision

Empowering and enriching families and communities with quality health services and education



# LCDF Early Head Start

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## WHO ARE WE

La Clinica de Familia (LCDF) Early Head Start (EHS) officially began providing services on November 27, 2000. We are the only Early Head Start program in the City of Las Cruces.

La Clinica de Familia (LCDF), a non-profit Community/Migrant Health Center system, is the Grantee for Early Head Start. Within Doña Ana County, LCDF operates six clinics for Family Medicine, one Woman's Health Center, three School Based clinics and five Dental Clinics. LCDF increased in the number of Behavioral Health Services served to nearly 40% of the patients in 2019. Also, two capital project new Sunland Park BHS buildings B added to the existing site and construction of a new Las Cruces BHS facility took place in 2019.

LCDF Early Head Start was awarded Childcare Partnership grant in 2014, to provide Early Head Start services through a privately owned childcare center.

## OUR SITES



# Who We Serve

LCDF Early Head Start and New Mexico Children First serve families and children in Doña Ana County. The services provided are delivered to expectant women and children and their families from birth to age three. LCDF Early Head Start offers early learning services in center-based settings, as well as high quality early learning, support driven services to expectant women and children and families in the home-based setting using the coaching/mentoring model.

In total, LCDF Early Head Start and New Mexico Children First enrolled eligible children and expectant mothers.

2020-2021 EHS	EHS Center-Based	EHS Home-Based	Total
Funded Enrollment	24	87	111
Actual Enrollment (Annual Average)	22	49	71

2020-2021 EHS CCP	EHS Center-Based	NMCF Center-Based	Total
Funded Enrollment	24	48	72
Actual Enrollment (Annual Average)	22	33	55

# *Enrollment 2020-2021*

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In June of 2020, the total LCDF EHS monthly enrollment was 111 children and families in both programs. The average monthly enrollment for LCDF EHS was steady throughout the months of June 2020 through August 2020. Numbers began to decrease in September 2020 through June 2021 due to COVID-19 pandemic. Services for both center-based and home-based were provided virtually due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Center-Based initiated face-to-face using hybrid model in January 2021. Our Home-Based continued to serve families virtually and outdoors within the community.

In September 2020, total LCDF EHS and CCP New Mexico Children First monthly enrollments of 41. CCP New Mexico Children First became our partner in September of 2020 during COVID-19 pandemic. New Mexico Children First immediately began enrolling and serving children face-to-face. Numbers in both LCDF EHS and CCP New Mexico Children First began to increase from September 2020 to August 2021.

\* Early Head Start began seeing an impact to enrollment as a result of COVID-19 in June 2020 through the remainder of the program year. The tables below illustrates the monthly and total enrollment for 2020-2021.

# *Enrollment LCDF EHS 2020-2021*

<b>Month</b>	<b>EHS Center-Based</b>	<b>EHS Home-Based</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>
May-21	23	31	54
April-21	22	31	53
March-21	21	32	53
February-21	19	34	53
January-21	21	39	60
December-20	23	42	65
November-20	23	45	68
October-20	23	50	73
September-20	22	53	75
August-20	22	71	98
July-20	22	76	98
June-20	23	88	111

# *Enrollment EHS & NMCF 2020-2021*

Month	EHS Center-Based Enrollment	NMCF Center-Based Enrollment	Total Enrollment
August-21	27	41	68
July-21	20	41	61
June-21	24	37	61
May-21	23	37	60
April-21	23	38	61
March-21	21	34	55
February-21	20	30	50
January-21	19	32	51
December-20	20	30	50
November-20	22	29	51
October-20	22	25	47
September-20	22	19	41

# Demographics

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Demographics of the children enrolled in LCDF EHS NMSU and Home-Based program, 59 % were male and 45% were female. Additionally among the group, 90% were White, 3% identified as African American, 3% American Indian, 3% Asian/Pacific Islander and 4% identified as Bi-Racial. A total of 89% of children were of Hispanic Ethnicity with 83% of children having a primary language of English, 16% Spanish, 4% other primary languages, and 31% Dual Language.

Demographics of the children enrolled in LCDF EHS Expansion and NMCF program, 49 % were male and 52% were female. Additionally among the group, 90% were White, 0.95% identified as African American, 0% American Indian, 5% Asian/Pacific Islander and 1% identified as Bi-Racial. A total of 87% of children were of Hispanic Ethnicity with 62% of children having a primary language of English, 29% Spanish, 7% other primary languages, and 59% Dual Language.





# *Engaging Families and the Community*

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Parent Family and Community Engagement is essential for a child's long-term success, LCDF EHS & NMCF supports family partnerships and promotes community collaborations.

LCDF EHS and NMCF engages in a wide variety of activities that support parent-child relationships, child development, family literacy, and language development. Activities include monthly socializations, monthly parent committee, organized program activities and events, training and educational sessions, monthly Governing Body and Policy Council meetings.



# *Childhood Outcomes by Age Group*

## *Summer 2020-2021*

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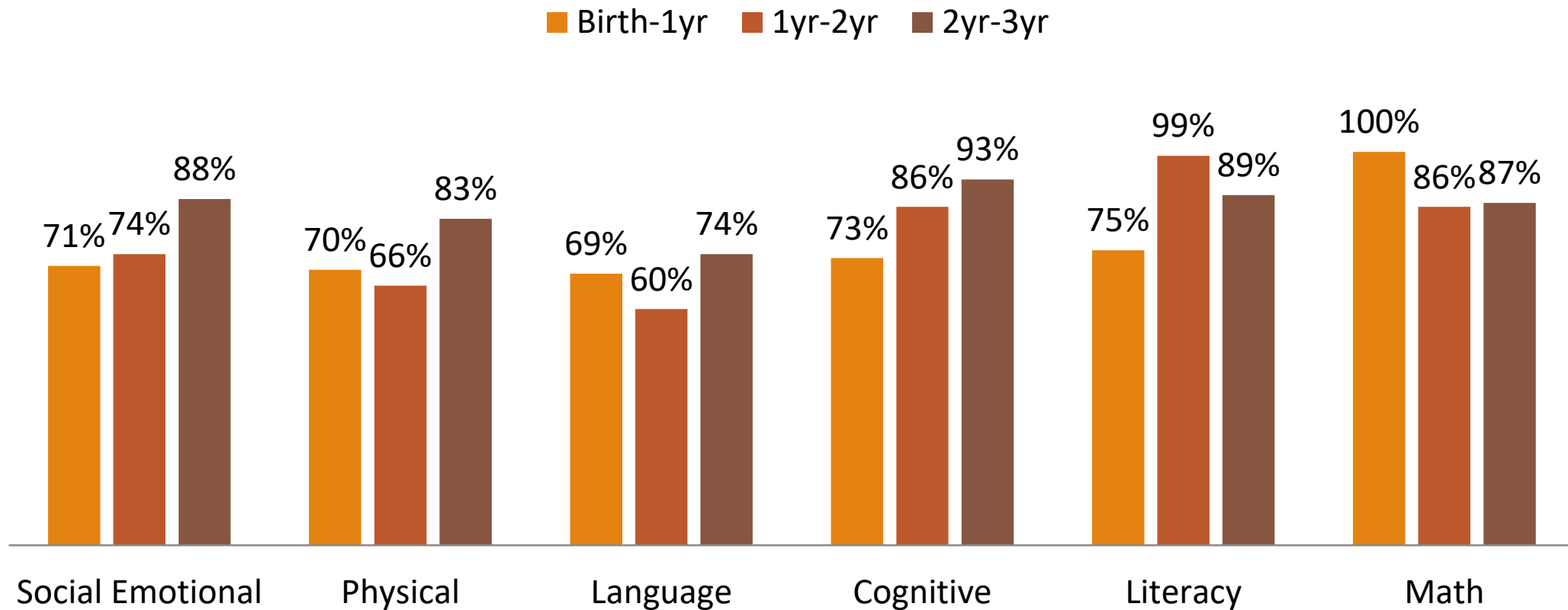
LCDF Early Head Start and New Mexico Children First utilize Creative Curriculum and Teaching Strategies Gold assessment system. Creative Curriculum is researched-based for a variety of age groups, including Infants and Toddlers, and includes all needed child development domains. Creative Curriculum is cross-walked the Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework: Ages Birth to Five.

The NM ELG's include indicators that reflect this alignment and specific crosswalks and alignments are found in the *New Mexico Early Childhood Crosswalks and Alignment*, found at [www.newmexicokids.org](http://www.newmexicokids.org).

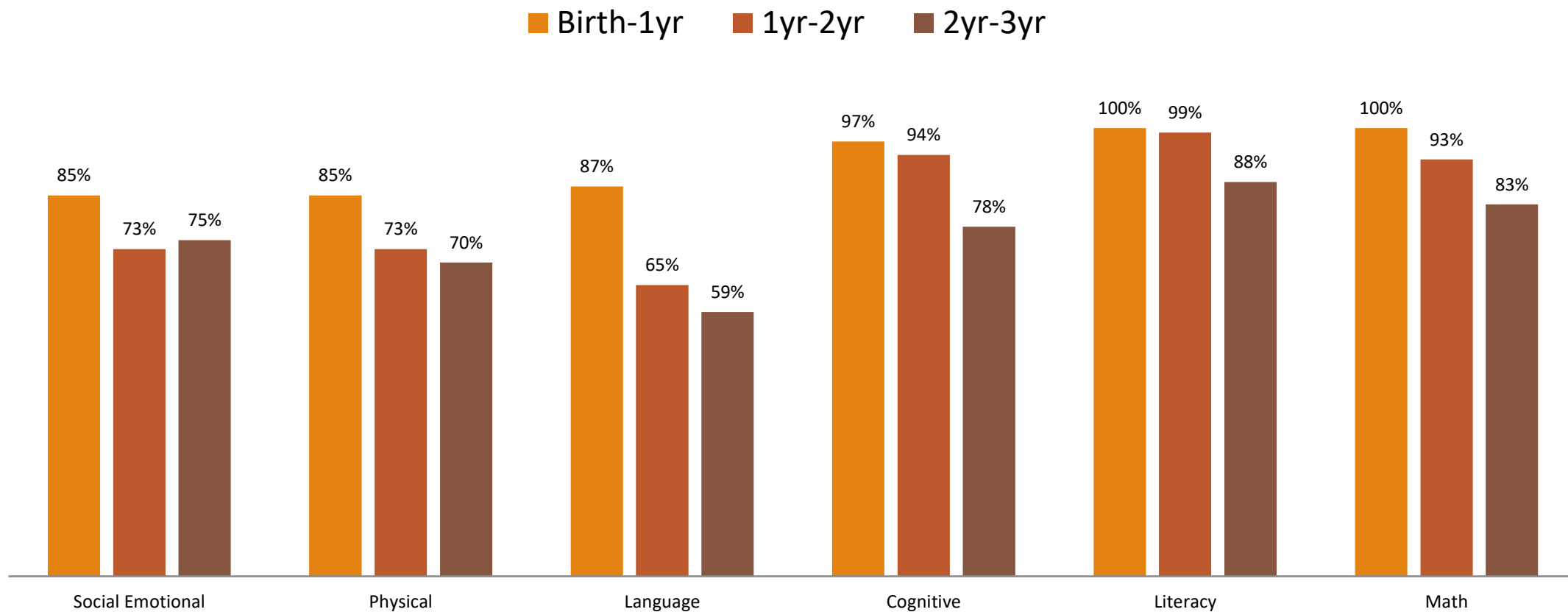
Teaching Strategies GOLD measures child development in six learning areas which are Physical, Social Emotional, Language, Cognitive, Literacy and Mathematics. Early Head start children are observed by our Teachers and Home Visitors and rated on the six different learning and development domains. The ratings on each of the domains informs our educators of the individualized strengths and areas of growth of each child and is consequently used to focus instructional learning and supports on developing skills to support kindergarten readiness.

Measuring child outcomes also informs teachers, home visitors, families and the program on each child's progress as well as the overall learning environment. The graphs on the next two pages displays the percentages of children enrolled in LCDF EHS and New Mexico Children First program.

*Percentage of LCDF EHS Center and Home-Based Children  
Who Met or Exceeded the Widely Held Expectation for their Age in Program Year 2020-2021*



*Percentage of LCDF EHS Expansion and NMCF Children  
Who Met or Exceeded the Widely Held Expectation for their Age in Program Year 2020-2021*



# Data Analysis & Data Trends

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## Data Analysis by Age

LCDF EHS Center and Home-Based scored between 60 and 80 percent in all six learning and development areas in the program year .

LCDF EHS Expansion and NMCF scored between 50 and 100 percent in all six learning and development areas in the program year.

**The 0-1 Year Olds** The infants' greatest area of growth fall to summer was a 100% increase in the Math domain.

The infants' greatest areas of growth winter to summer was a 13% increase in the areas of Language.

**The 1-2 Year Olds** LCDF EHS Center and Home-Based scored highest in Math at 100%.

LCDF EHS Expansion and NMCF scored highest in Literacy and Math at 100% in both domains.

**The 2-3 Year Olds** LCDF EHS Center and Home-Based scored highest in Cognitive learning at 93%.

LCDF EHS Expansion and NMCF scored highest in Literacy learning at 88%.

## Data Trends Program Saw in Program Year 2020-2021 Statistics

- Prior to COVID-19 our enrollment numbers were reportable at met enrolled. Unfortunately COVID-19 pandemic had a direct impact on our enrollment from September 2020 to August of 2021.
- Child enrollment varied between Spring and Summer checkpoints which had direct impact on the inconsistencies among the sample size and the sample population. Consequently , resulting in skewed data.
- As children age and move from one age group to the next, the typical results are an increase of skill acquisition.

# Health and Wellness

Access to health care is an ongoing issue for many families that lack health care resources which can negatively impact a child's development. LCDF EHS and NMFS assisted most families in obtaining both a medical and dental homes necessary to receive quality care on a consistent basis. It is important for children to receive appropriate dental care as they grow.

The health statistics presented in this report are based on the Early Head Start data from our 2020-2021 PIR Health Services Report.

As reflected on the right chart, approximately 80-85 % of children in Early Head Start have a medical home and 72-78% have a dental home. In addition, 97-99% of the children enrolled in Early Head Start program have health insurance. At enrollment, 15-72% of the children had all required immunizations.

LCDF EHS Center & Home-Based	Percentage of Children
Medical Home	85%
Health Insurance	99%
Immunization	72%
Dental Home	78%

LCDF EHS Expansion & NMCF	Percentage of Children
Medical Home	80%
Health Insurance	97%
Immunization	15%
Dental Home	72%

# Funding Sources

LCDF Early Head Start relies on the Federal Early Head Start grant. OHS granted LCDF Early Head Start waivers for non-federal share for COLA & Quality Improvement funds as well as COVID-19 Supplemental and American Rescue Plan funds.

Funding Source	Budget
LCDF Early Head Start Grant	\$1,562,688
T & TA	\$ 33,979

Funding Source	Budget
LCDF Early Head Start & CCP Grant	\$1,388,372
T & TA	\$ 30,897

# Expenditures and Total Budget LCDF Early Head Start Grant

LCDF Governing Board and the Policy Council receives monthly expense reports to promote transparency and to ensure they are informed, as a result, can advise and make informed fiscal decisions that support operational needs, program growth and use of funds.

The right table reflects the break-down of Early Head Start expenditures. Total Early Head Start in 2020-2021 was \$1,599,671 (Federal, T/TA and Non-Federal).

The results of the most recent review by Secretary and the financial audit:

- Section II-Financial Statement Findings and Questioned Costs: **None**
- Section III-Federal Awards Findings and Questions Costs: **None**

2020-2021 LCDF EHS Expenditure Categories	2020-2021 LCDF EHS Expenditures
Employee Expenses	1,177,668
Contract Services	44,521
Supplies	79,838
Insurance	12,021
Facility	120,576
Office Expense	276
Dues-License & Publications	1,772
Travel & Training Expenses	27,323
Indirect	135,676
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,599,671</b>



# Expenditures and Total Budget LCDF Early Head Start and CCP Grant

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The results of the most recent review by Secretary and the financial audit:

- Section II-Financial Statement Findings and Questioned Costs: **None**
- Section III-Federal Awards Findings and Questions Costs: **None**

2020-2021 LCDF EHS Expenditure Categories	2020-2021 LCDF EHS Expenditures
Employee Expenses	538,020
Contract Services	652,679
Supplies	33,309
Insurance	5,388
Facility	20,605
Office Expense	-
Dues-Licenses & Publications	4,024
Travel & Training Expense	8,521
Indirect	117,797
Total Operating Expenses	\$1,380,343

# *LCDF EHS Center and Home-Based Staff Education & Qualifications*

The Head Start Performance Standards require that all Early Head Start Teachers nationwide meet minimum qualifications in child development, early childhood education or equivalent coursework. T

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99% of LCDF Early Head Start Teachers and 100% Home Visitors met or exceeded the education requirement as dictated by OHS.

<b>Degreed or Credential June 2020-May 2021</b>	<b>LCDF EHS Teacher</b>	<b>LCDF EHS Home Visitor</b>
Advanced Degree	0%	14%
Bachelor's Degree	50%	71%
Associate's Degree	33%	14%
Credential	16%	0%
Working on CDA Process	1%	0%
Staff Meeting the Requirement of Having a CDA or more	99%	100%

# LCDF EHS Expansion and NMCF Centers Staff Education & Qualifications

The Head Start Performance Standards require that all Early Head Start Teachers nationwide meet minimum qualifications in child development, early childhood education or equivalent coursework.

The following table depicts the Early Head Start Teacher Education or credentials for LCDF EHS Center Base from June 2020-May 2021. The table reflects LCDF EHS Center and Home-Based qualifications.

85% of LCDF Early Head Start Teachers and 40% of NMCF Teachers met or exceeded the education requirement as dictated by OHS.

Due to COVID-19 Pandemic it was difficult to recruit teachers that had CDA requirements at both EHS Expansion and NMCF.

Degreed or Credential June 2020-May 2021	LCDF EHS Teacher	NMCF EHS Teacher
Advanced Degree	0%	10%
Bachelor's Degree	57%	10%
Associate's Degree	28%	20%
Credential	0%	0%
Working on CDA Process	14%	60%
Staff Meeting the Requirement of Having CDA or more	85%	40%

# *LCDF Early Head Start Locations*

Center Name	Serving	Address	Phone
LCDF NMSU & Expansion Early Head Start	48 children	4101 Sam Steel Way, Las Cruces NM 88003	575-532-0515
LCDF Home-Based Early Head Start	87 children and or expectant moms	526 South Alameda, Las Cruces NM 88005	575-532-2002
New Mexico Children First Early Head Start	48 children	4926 McNutt Sunland Park NM 88063	575-502-5054

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