



2024-2025 IMPACT REPORT

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

What a powerful year it's been for EC LEARN and for early childhood education across Kentucky. With your continued support and partnership, we've taken bold steps to strengthen the early care and education workforce, expand access for families, and build momentum for lasting, systemic change.



Sandra Woodall, CEO



Kim Ross at a Boone County Outreach Event

This year brought significant growth for the Family Child Care Network of Kentucky. EC LEARN continues to advocate for family child care programs, a vital part of our early childhood ecosystem. These home-based programs offer the flexibility and trusted relationships that so many working families rely on. As our state works to expand access to preschool through Governor Beshear's "Pre-K for All" initiative, EC LEARN remains a strong voice for a mixed delivery system—giving families the option to choose the setting that best fits their needs, whether that's public preschool, Head Start, child care centers, or family child care homes.

Our work in Boone County has also deepened this year, especially through family engagement efforts like Boone's Beginners and hands-on workshops delivered in partnership with Boone County Schools. With support from the Boone County Early Childhood Fund, EC LEARN worked with seven local early childhood programs to strengthen grant readiness and expand access to quality care. These efforts have sparked new opportunities with school leadership, and we're proud to help shape future planning for early learning in the county.

Today and every day, I celebrate the hardworking, passionate staff who drive EC LEARN's mission forward. We were especially proud to see Karen Sherman recognized as a KET Education All Star for her leadership in early childhood advocacy and community engagement across Northern Kentucky. Her recognition reflects the dedication and impact of all of our work. But the work isn't done, and we can't do it alone. Continued investment in early care and education is essential. With your support, we can empower more educators, reach more families, and build a stronger future for Kentucky's youngest learners.



Karen Sherman,
EC LEARN

Sandra Woodall
Executive Director and CEO
EC LEARN



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BY THE NUMBERS

2024-2025 IMPACT

1087

FAMILIES RECEIVED PARENT
EDUCATION AND RESOURCES
THROUGH

59

COMMUNITY EVENTS

324

HOURS
SUPPORTING

36

FAMILY CHILD
CARE
PROFESSIONALS

35

EDUCATORS
RECEIVED THEIR
COMMONWEALTH
CHILD CARE
CREDENTIAL



503

AT-RISK CHILDREN
RECEIVED SUMMER
KINDERGARTEN
TRANSITION ACTIVITIES
THROUGH

26

ME AND MY SCHOOL
PARTNER PROGRAMS

24

FAMILIES RECEIVED
PERSONALIZED CHILD
CARE REFERRALS

3808

EARLY CHILDHOOD
EDUCATORS RECEIVED
PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT THROUGH

129

ORIGINAL WORKSHOPS



\$80,757

REIMBURSED TO 13 FAMILY
CHILD CARE PROVIDERS
THAT SERVE DAILY HEALTHY
MEALS TO 124 CHILDREN



FOSTER
GRANDPARENT
VOLUNTEERS
RECEIVED
SPECIALIZED
TRAINING



EC LEARN

Influencing Early Childhood Experiences

HEAR IT FROM OUR ADVOCATES

Tom Haggard, EducateNKY

EC LEARN plays a critical role in aligning early childhood systems across Northern Kentucky. Their leadership has been instrumental in bridging community voices and policy conversations to advance equitable, high-quality education for our region's youngest learners.



**Shanna Parker, Blessed Hands
Child Care Center**

Nurturing and changing the world by loving and growing with children has been a passion of mine for over 18 years. A dream that EC LEARN helped me to achieve. The staff is excellent to work with and extremely knowledgeable on the whole process. From start to finish, they will work to prepare you for success. I am very grateful for their service and cannot thank them enough.



**Tara Johnson-Noem, Northern KY
Area Development District**

With a strong spirit of collaboration and perseverance, this relatively young organization contributes greatly to the regional focus on quality early childhood experiences and available resources for our families. EC LEARN provides essential support to parents needing help finding childcare that fits their family's needs, shares resources to child care providers caring for our youngest community members and rallies local leaders around this work. I am thankful that we have EC LEARN in Northern Kentucky.



FINANCIAL IMPACT

AT A GLANCE

FY 24-25

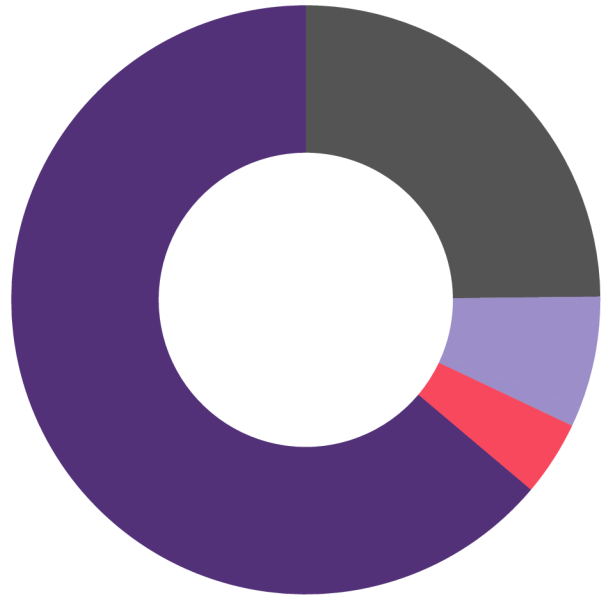
TOTAL REVENUES

65.85% STATE CONTRACTS

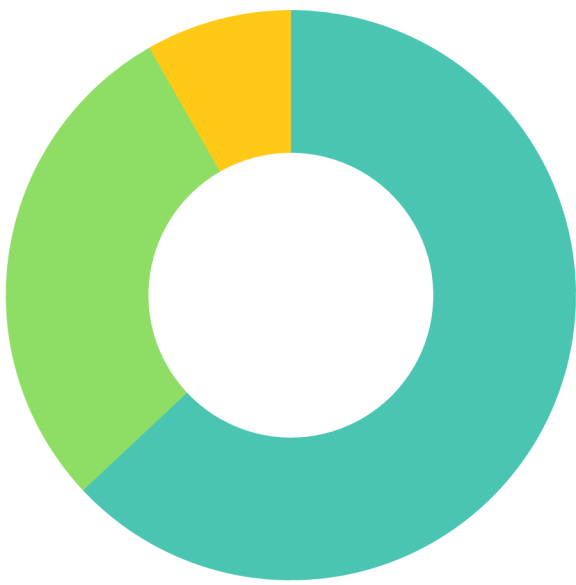
24.15% TRAINING

6% GRANT INCOME

4% FUNDRAISING



HOW WE USED OUR RESOURCES



62.85% PERSONNEL

28.65% OPERATIONS

8.50% OUTREACH

JOIN US IN SHAPING THE FUTURE

YOUR DONATION EQUIPS
EARLY CHILDHOOD
EDUCATORS WITH THE
RESOURCES AND SUPPORT
THEY NEED TO GIVE EVERY
CHILD A STRONG START

