

Child Care & Early Learning...

United Way of Tompkins County supports individuals in their efforts to live self-sufficient and productive lives.

Child Development Council:

Family Support Services (FSS) assisted 67 families with 109 children (ages 0 - 4). Using a family centered, home visiting approach, FSS guides parents to develop positive parenting skills, based on an understanding of the growing and changing needs of the children.

- 92% were able to demonstrate that they could maintain a stable environment
- 100% maintained primary health care provider and up-to-date immunizations

The Child Care Resource Referral Program is designed to develop the supply and retention of a wide range of early care and education modalities. The goal is to have a set of care and education options that is available and accessible to meet the needs of Tompkins County families.

- 608 parents called for referral to regulated care for 866 children
- 513 attendances at 24 early childhood training sessions
- 327 visits provided to address quality issues in child care settings

Greater Ithaca Activities Center

The Youth Programs provide various opportunities for youth to participate in educational, recreational, cultural and social development activities that boost their self worth and esteem, help them foster healthy relationships and develop positive life skills.

- 232 children in the afterschool program and summer camp were registered
- 100% of participants in 2nd-5th grades improved their academic levels at school

Child Development Council Success Story:

Sarah was referred to Family Support Services in 2007 by the MOMS Program at the Health Department. At that time she had two children ages 3 and 6 and was expecting a third. The father of her two children was not involved and she was in a difficult relationship with the father of her unborn child. Her two older children had learning challenges and Sarah was having a hard time understanding services. The Family Support Worker (FSW) was able to help Sarah navigate through evaluations and attended Special Education meetings as a support. When Sarah's third child was born she was very interested in a developmental assessment in order to make sure the baby's development was on track. The FSW also helped obtain needed baby supplies and equipment. Sarah continued to get support and parenting information as well as referrals to community agencies.



Child Care/ Early Learning: \$149,865

- *Brooktondale Community Center*
 - **Brooktondale Summer Camp** \$4,750
- *Child Development Council*
 - **Child Care Resource Referral Program** \$42,500
 - **Family Support Services** \$23,000
- *Drop-In Children's Center*
 - **Toddler Subsidy Program** \$13,460
- *Dryden Community Council*
 - **Village of Dryden Summer Recreation** \$4,700
 - **Reading in the Lady Bug Garden** \$250
 - **Traveling Books of Dryden** \$150
- *Enfield Community Council*
 - **Enfield Summer Day Camp** \$5,000
 - **ESAP (Enfield School Age Program) Scholarships** \$3,000
- *Freeville Community Council*
 - **Freeville Summer Recreation Program** \$3,125
- *Greater Ithaca Activities Center*
 - **Youth Division** \$32,000
- *Ithaca Community Childcare Center*
 - **Infant Program** \$7,500
- *McLean Community Council*
 - **Family Reading Nights** \$500
- *Newfield Community Council*
 - **Summer Day Camp** \$2,760
 - **Before & Afterschool Program** \$1,970
- *Ulysses Community Council*
 - **Summer Recreation Programs** \$3,450
 - **Nursery School** \$860
 - **Library Program** \$890

