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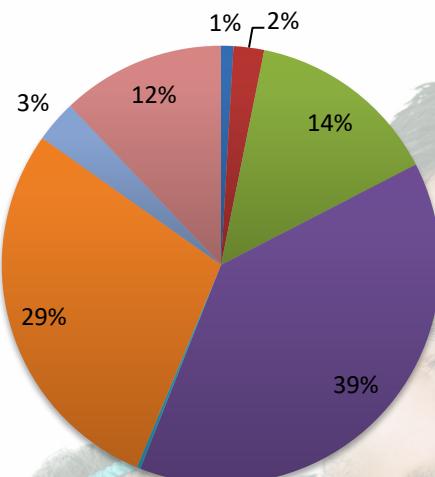
SAN BERNARDINO

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

## *Children and Families Served*

### Ethnicity of Children

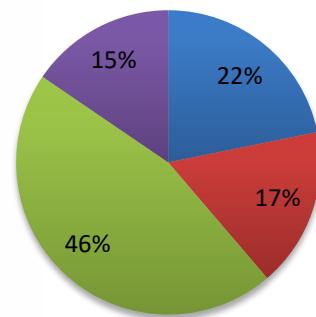
- Alaska Native/American Indian
- Asian



Total Number of Children: 23,643

### Annual Spending for Direct Services

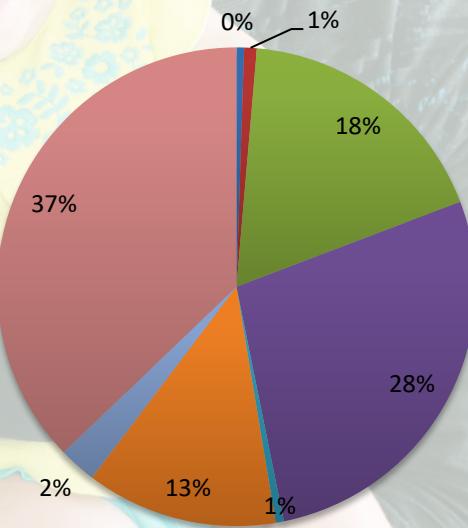
- Improved Family Functioning
- Improved Child Development
- Improved Health
- Improved Systems



Total Expenditures \$15,328,503

### Ethnicity of Parents

- Alaska Native/American Indian
- Asian



Total Number of Parents/Family: 49,273



## 2020-2021 Annual Report Highlights

Fiscal Year 2020-2021 yielded many notable accomplishments for the First 5 Commission and positive outcomes for our youngest residents and their families in San Bernardino County. One of the most significant investments by First 5 San Bernardino was the continued building and implementation of a Quality Rating Improvement System (QRIS). Quality Start San Bernardino County (QSSB) conducted a Child Care Provider Forum Survey to understand some of the challenges that early childhood educators faced in FY2020-2021 during the time of the COVID-19 pandemic and to understand the overall experience of those who attended the forum. One hundred eighteen participants registered and 89 attended the forum. Of the 89 participants (34 family child care providers, 5 private center program staff, 3 CSPP program staff, 2 alternative site staff, and 45 other or unknown; 24 affiliated with QSSB) 34 responded to the survey. All respondents were asked to provide information on their participation in QSSB, their role in early care and education, and to provide a rating on the forum. However, only family child care and center-based providers were asked to complete the full survey which included questions about challenges and needs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The survey response rate was 71% (24 out of 34) for family child care providers, 100% (3 out of 3) for California State Preschool Program (CSPP) center-based providers, and 40% (2 out of 5) for private center-based providers.

The most prevalent challenge was technology challenges such as a lack of or missing technology equipment and/or technological experience, including but not limited to not having the right

**Other highlights that took place in 2020-2021 were:**

- Full-implementation of a regional Help Me Grow system in partnership with First 5 Riverside and Loma Linda University Children's Hospital serving 1,658 Children in San Bernardino County alone.
- First 5 supported four AmeriCorps members to provide one-on-one literacy, mathematic, social emotional and school readiness services to students in four Head-Start Preschool sites in the San Bernardino County Preschool Services Department.
- Successful Literacy, Safety and Oral Health Campaigns.
- Developmental screenings provided to 5,438 children countywide.
- 442 parents and their children served through the new Parent and Child Connection program.

