



**children's
institute**

Early Childhood Services



Health **Children** | Thriving **Families** | Empowered **Communities**



About Children's Institute

Every year, Children's Institute (CII) supports 30,000 children and families across Los Angeles in achieving emotional well-being and educational success, which build pathways to economic mobility. We work in communities impacted by decades of underinvestment and racist policies— from Echo Park to Watts to Long Beach. Children's Institute offers education, counseling services, parenting support, convening spaces and enrichment programs in the community and at our early education centers, K-12 schools, and neighborhood hubs.

Mission

To transform the lives of children exposed to adversity and poverty in Los Angeles.

North Star

All children and families can achieve **emotional well-being** and **educational success**, which build pathways to **economic mobility**.

Commitments

- CII centers equity, diversity, and inclusion in decision-making, governance, and day-to-day interactions.
- CII creates a welcoming environment and builds authentic partnerships.
- CII values strengths and lived experience.
- CII offers a full complement of resources and services to all families enrolled in our programs.
- CII deepens community impact through collaboration with partner organizations, volunteers, and local leaders.
- CII empowers its team members to collaborate, create and innovate, and develops leaders at every level.
- CII adapts to changing circumstances, innovates, and invests in the future.
- CII amplifies the voices of staff and community members to advocate for social justice.

About Us



30,000

Children & Families Served Annually
(Approx.)



39

Locations across Los Angeles



928

Staff members



\$89M

Annual Operating Budget





Transition to Serving more EHS

- Plan Five Years Ago
 - Prioritize a 0-5 continuum of care
 - Converting HS slots to EHS
 - Adding infant/toddler classrooms to existing sites
 - Staffing for infant/toddler classrooms - Ratios

0-5 Continuum of Care

- Community Need for Continuum of Care
 - Families needed one place to have multiple children and/or have their child for multiple years
 - Proven Success with two CII sites
 - Better tracking of outcomes/goals
 - Relationship building

Conversions and Expansions

- Converting HS slots to EHS Slots
- EHS expansion grants

Slots	2017-18	2022-23
EHS	459	767
HS	1302	459

Sites/Classrooms for EHS

- Challenges
 - Identifying classroom in existing sites
 - Reconfiguring outdoor space
 - Identifying new sites
 - Licensing

Staffing

- Hiring staff with infant/toddler experience
- Training staff for infant/toddler curriculum
- Understanding the needs/requirements of infant/toddlers



Thank

you!