

THIS IS HEAD START

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President Lyndon B. Johnson

Mission

Head Start is a national program that promotes school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children through the provision of educational, health, nutritional, social and other services to enrolled children and families.

History

- 1965 Project Head Start launched as part of War on Poverty
- 8 week, part day, summer program
- Served 561,000 3-4 year olds nation-wide
- 45th year- over 30 million low-income children and families have benefited
- Largest and longest serving early childhood program in USA
- Serves more than 1,000,000 children and more than 10,000 pregnant women during each program year.

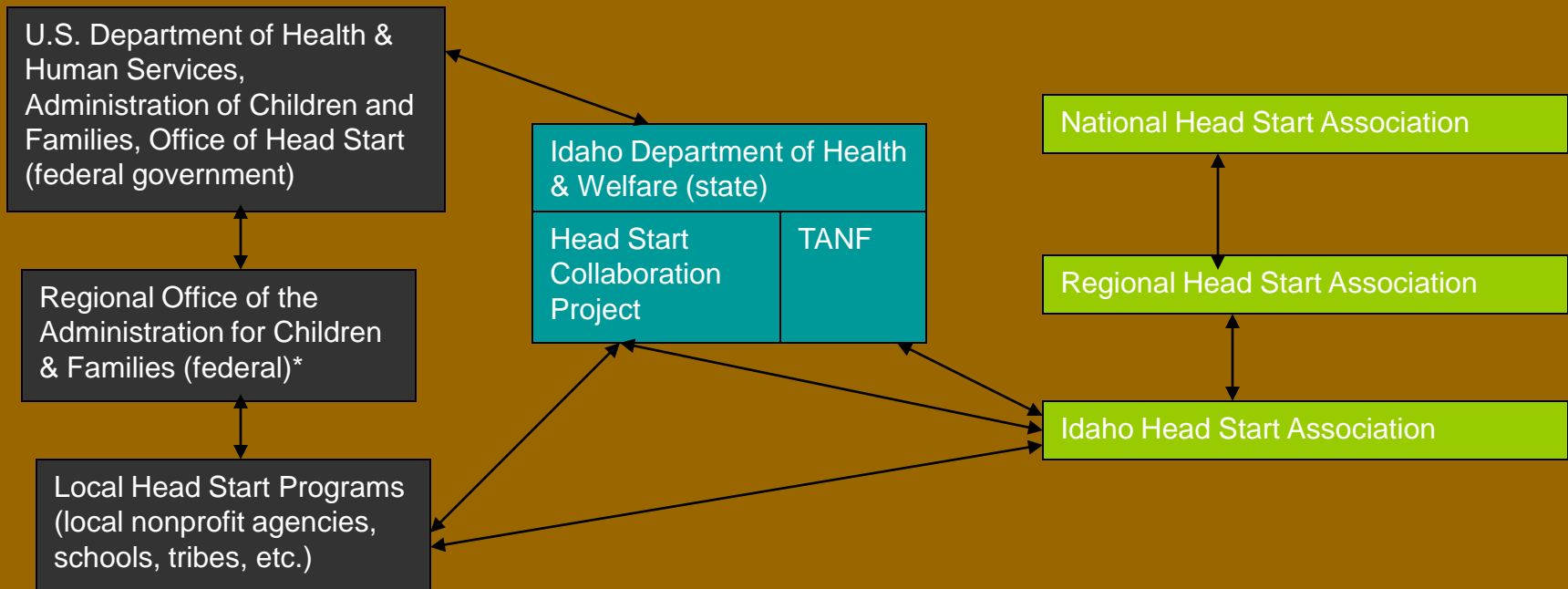
Early Head Start

- 1995 to expand the impact of Head Start
- Smaller program than Head Start
- 450 Early Head Start children enrolled
- Pre-natal to three years old (H.S. = 3-4 Yr olds)
- Families meet poverty guidelines
- Family focused
- Nearly 250 more via expansion for 2010

Comprehensive

- Head Start focus is on the “whole child” as well as their environment
- Cognitive, language, social and emotional, and physical development
- Health screening/care: physical, mental & oral health and nutritional
- Parent Involvement: from classrooms to Policy Council

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*Head Start grantees in Idaho are either part of Region X (ten)-consisting of Head Start programs from Idaho, Alaska, Oregon and Washington; part of Region XI (eleven)-consisting of Tribal programs; or are part of Region XII (twelve)-consisting of Migrant and Seasonal Worker programs

Governance

- Grantees: Stand alone non-profits, Universities, Community Action Agencies, A School District, Tribal Governments, Migrant/Seasonal Program
- Funding **directly** from Fed. Gov't to Grantee
- Local governance and local need

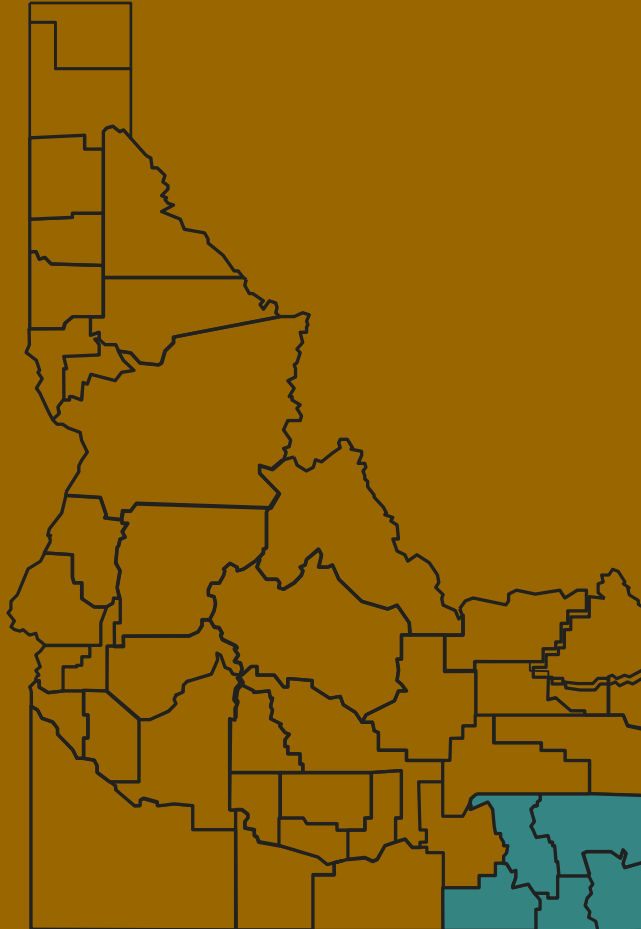
Head Start in Idaho

- 13 Programs, including Migrant and Tribal
- 5,000 Idaho children enrolled in HS/EHS (4,200 slots)
- 650 children with special needs served
- Estimate: Idaho only serves fewer than 20% of eligible children
- 10% services for children with special needs

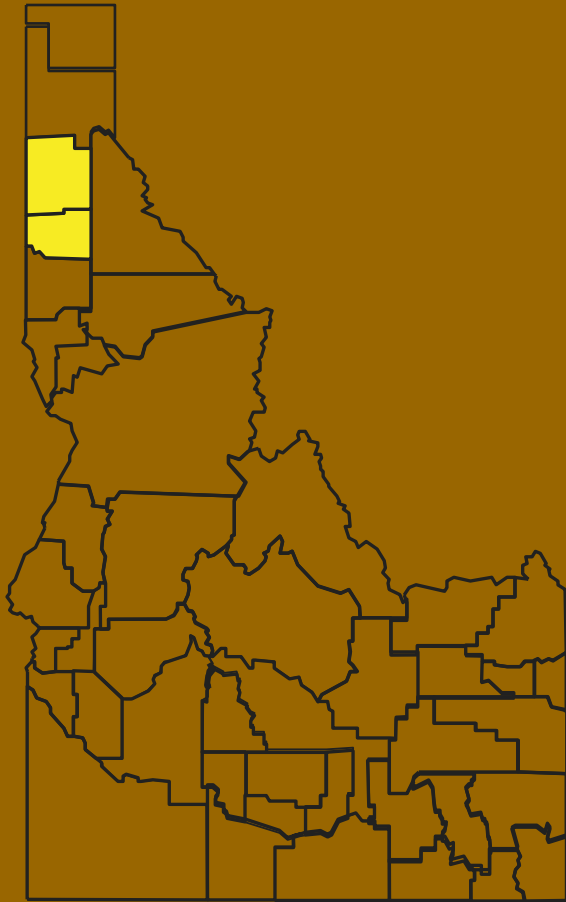
Bear River Head Start

Counties served: Bear Lake,
Caribou, Franklin, Oneida,
and Lower Bannock

150 Children Enrolled



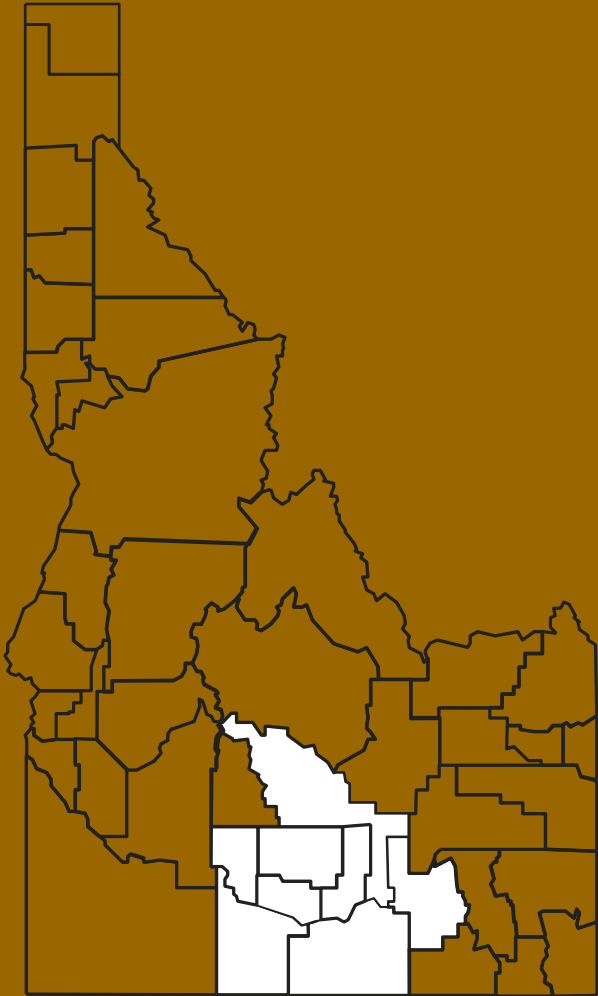
Coeur d' Alene Tribe Early Childhood Learning Center



Counties served: Benewah and
Kootenai

112 Children Enrolled

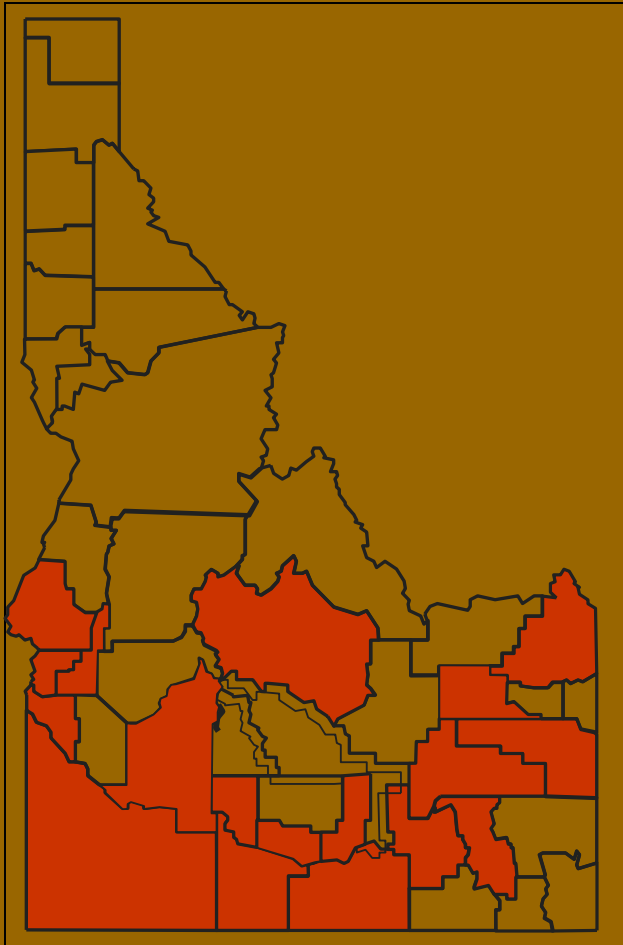
College of Southern Idaho Head Start



Counties served: Blaine,
Cassia, Gooding, Jerome,
Lincoln, Minidoka, Power,
and Twin Falls

775 Children Enrolled

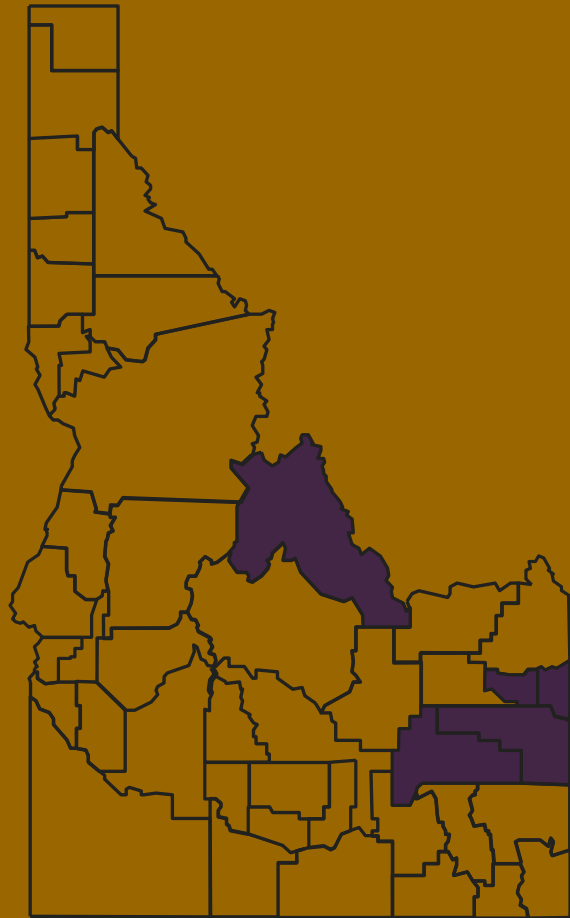
Community Council of Idaho – Migrant /Seasonal Head Start



Counties served: Bannock,
Bingham, Bonneville, Canyon,
Cassia, Custer, Elmore,
Fremont, Gem, Gooding,
Jefferson, Jerome, Minidoka,
Owyhee, Payette, Power, Twin
Falls, and Washington

808 Children Enrolled

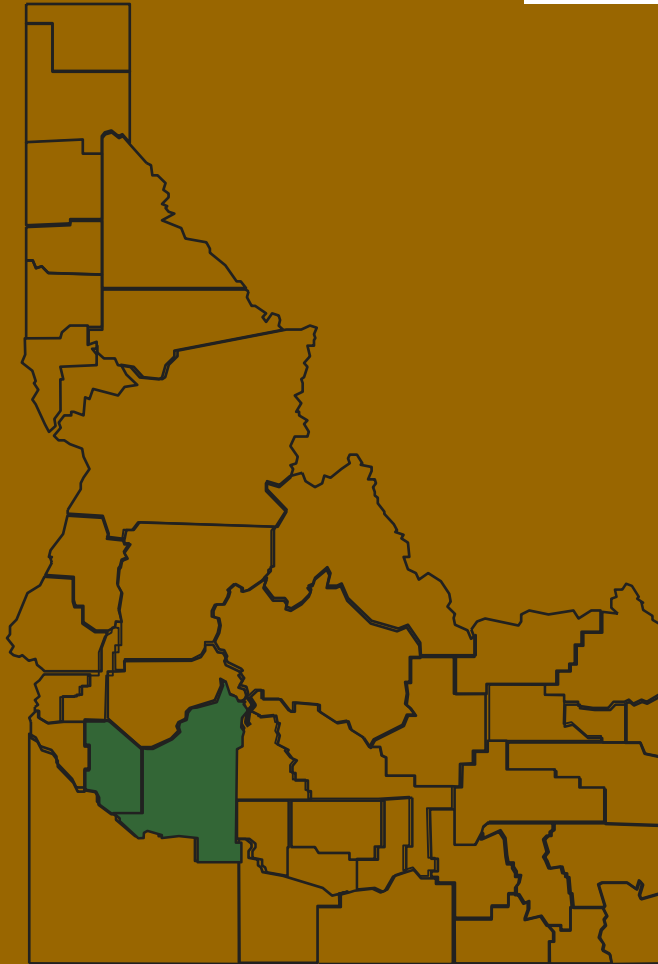
Eastern Idaho Community Action Partnership Head Start



Counties served: Bingham,
Bonneville, Lemhi, Madison,
and Teton

313 Children Enrolled

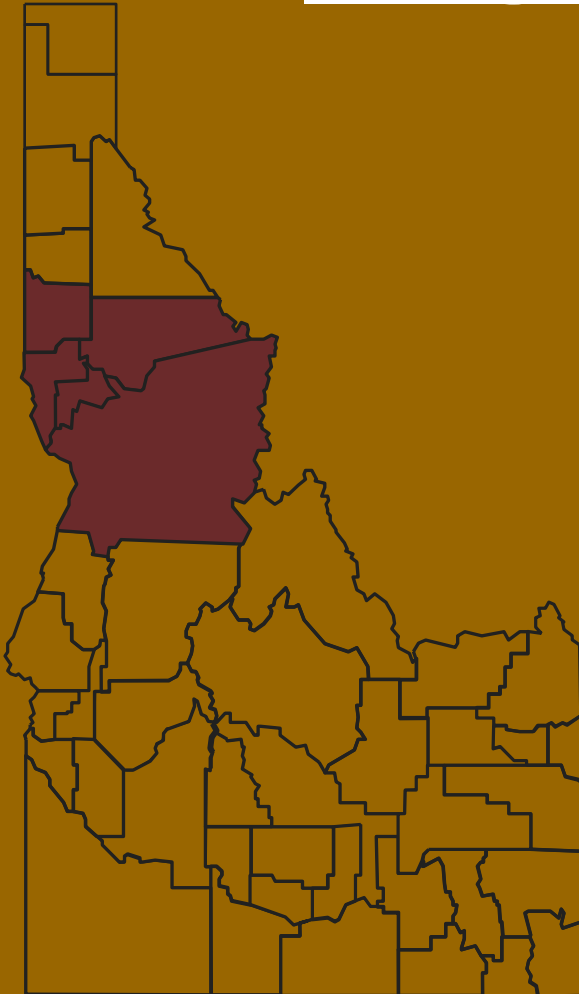
Friends of Children and Families Head Start



Counties served: Ada and
Elmore

609 Children Enrolled

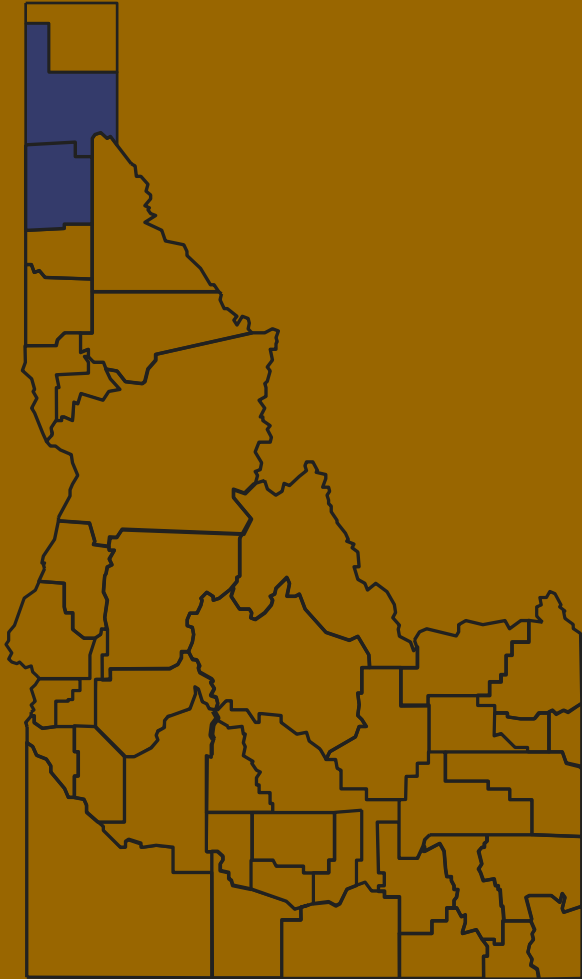
Lewis-Clark Early Childhood Program Head Start



Counties served: Clearwater, Idaho, Latah, Lewis, and Nez Perce (in Idaho) and Asotin (in Washington)

475 Children Enrolled

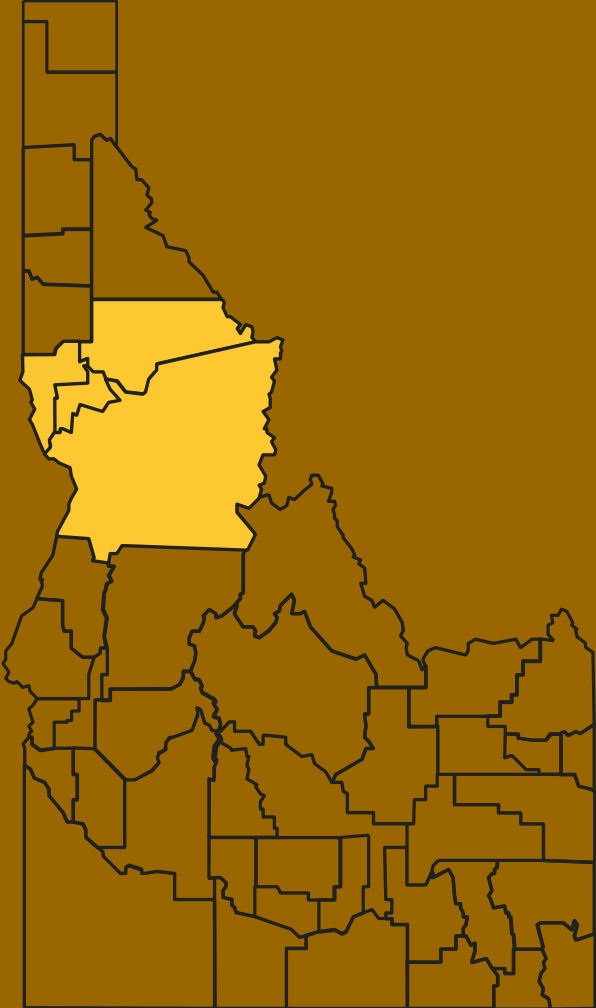
Mountain States Early Head Start



Counties served: Bonner,
Kootenai

167 Children Enrolled

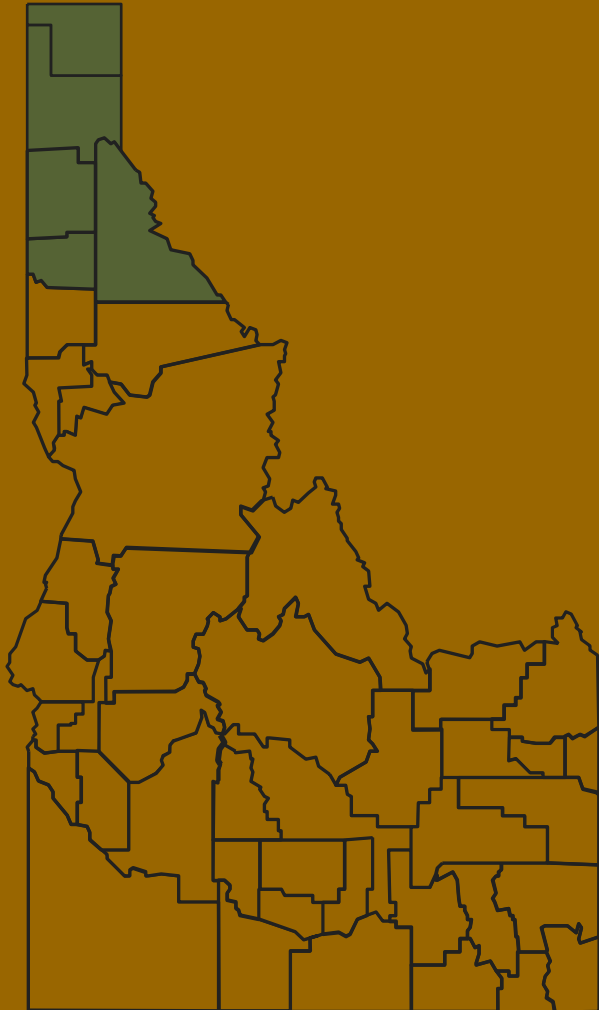
Nez Perce Tribe Early Childhood Development Program Head Start



Counties served:
Clearwater, Idaho, Lewis
and Nez Perce

226 Children Enrolled

North Idaho College Head Start



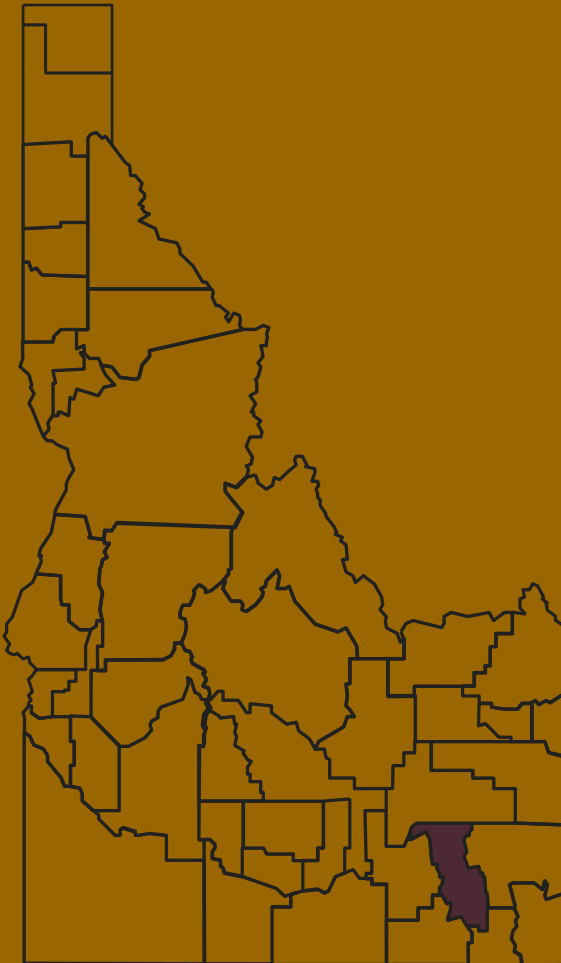
Counties served:
Benewah, Bonner,
Boundary, Kootenai, and
Shoshone

361 Children Enrolled

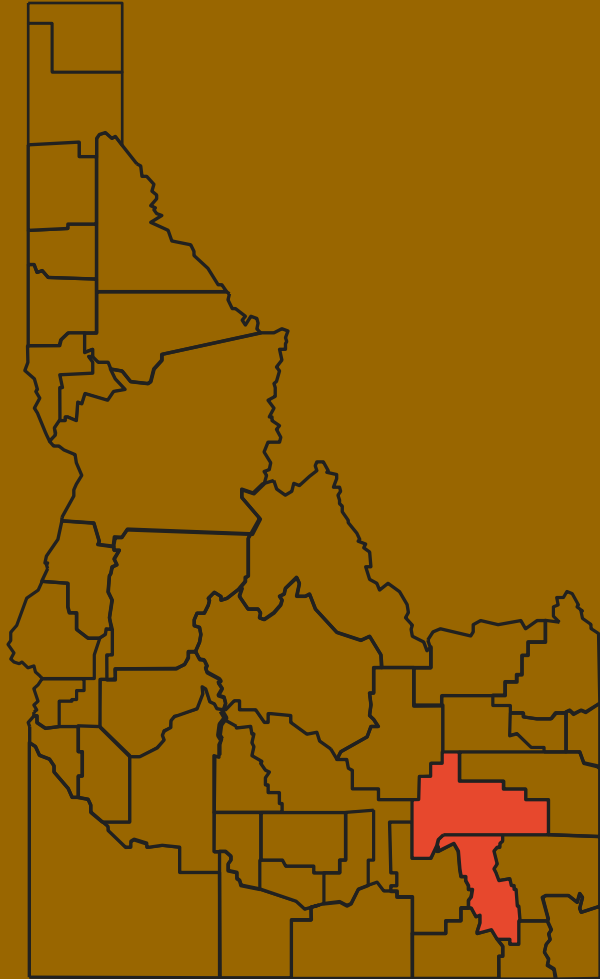
Pocatello/Chubbuck School District #25 Head Start

County served: Bannock

206 Children Enrolled

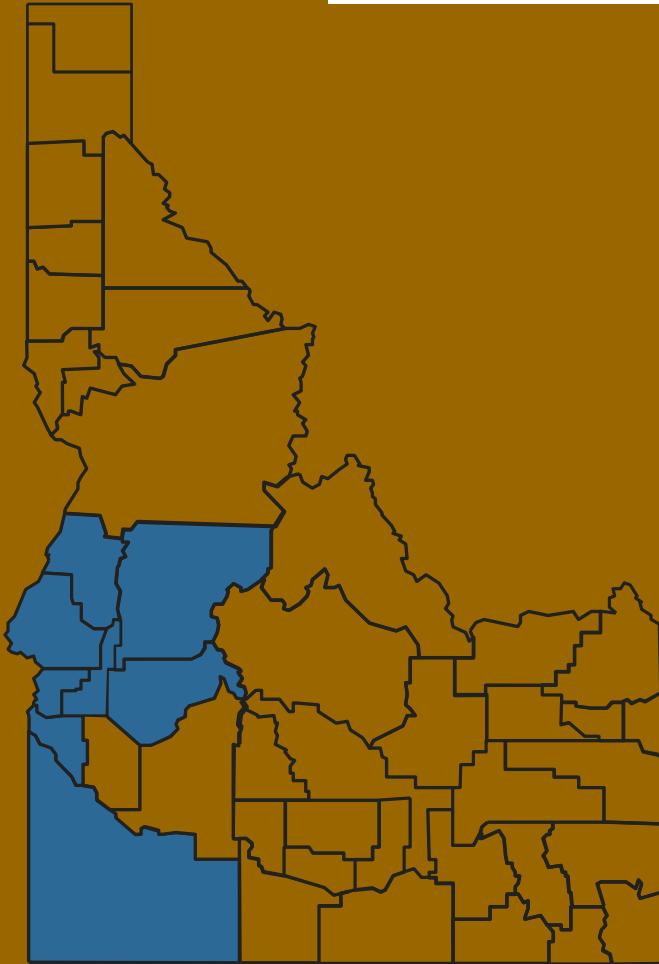


Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Head Start



Counties served: Bannock
and Bingham 75 Children
Enrolled

Western Idaho Community Action Partnership



Counties served: Adams,
Boise, Canyon, Gem,
Owyhee, Payette, Valley,
and Washington

755 Children Enrolled

Financial Impact on Idaho

- 1,345 employees (1/3 current/former HS parents)
- \$36,700,000 direct funding
- \$7,300,000 in-kind and community match (20%)
- \$1,500,000 TANF funds for at least 183 additional slots
- \$7,000 average cost per child
- 1:9 return on investment

Long Term Impact of Head Start

- Educational:
 - Increased I.Q. K-3
 - High School graduation—15% higher
 - Less Special Ed./More Honors
- Economic:
 - Higher occupational aspirations/expectations by children and adults
 - Fewer on welfare and receiving services
 - Delayed parenthood
 - Significant positive effects on juvenile and adult crimes/arrests

Long Term Impact ...

- Parent Impact:
 - Improved ability to promote learning skills
 - More positive language interactions and reading
 - Showed greater participation in child's later schooling—through 9th grade
 - Increased positive interactions between mothers and children
 - Increased range of parental skills-lead to better life.
 - Opportunities for leadership experiences
 - Promotion of self sufficiency skills

THIS IS THE IDAHO HEAD
START ASSOCIATION (IHSA)



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And Learning.**

Idaho Head Start Association (IHSA)

- A Membership organization
- Mission is to advocate for the children and families of Idaho by promoting and strengthening early care and learning
- Formed 1986, Incorporated 1994, 501(c)(3) 1995, Board of Governors 2000
- Serves Idaho's 13 Programs through networking, information gathering and distribution, advocacy and the raising of public awareness and understanding

Idaho Head Start Association

Who are IHSA Members?

- The 13 Head Start Programs in Idaho.
- 4 Representatives each: 1 Director, 1 Staff, 1 Parent and 1 Member at Large (MAL).
- MAL is a person from the community interested in being a Head Start advocate.
- Some of these representatives are elected to be members of the Governing Board.
- Board members serve either one or two year terms, meet 4 times per year, once at the IHSA Membership Meeting, and three other times spaced throughout the year.

Idaho Head Start Association Serves the Head Start Community by:

- Establishing ties with human service networks
- Gathering and distributing information
- Advocacy regarding policy changes, legislation, and funding
- Creating an awareness of early childhood, family, and poverty issues

IHSA Serves the Head Start Community...

- Ensuring Head Start's presence and voice with regards to all relevant councils, committees, and partnerships
- Encouraging the recognition, acceptance and commitment by all Idahoans to Head Start's essential role in the welfare and future of Idaho's low-income children and families
- Contracting with DHW for TANF Funding
- Arranging the Annual January Member Meeting
- Putting out the Annual Data Book

SOME OF IHSA'S PARTNERS

- Head Start State Collaboration Office (HSSC)
- Region x Office (Feds in Seattle)
- Training & Technical Assistance Office
- Early Childhood Coordinating Council (EC3)
- Idaho Childcare Program Advisory Panel (ICCP)
- Idaho Association for the Education of Young Children (IAEYC)
- Executive Directors Consortium (EDC)

The Purpose of the IHSA Membership Meetings Is...

- To come together to share ideas and perspectives and to collectively contribute to the direction of IHSA.
- To network and orient new IHSA members.
- To provide training and current news and information to all.
- To learn about Head Start and Early Head Start on the local, state and national levels.

The Purpose of the IHSA Membership Meetings Is...

- To learn to be a more effective advocate, with the Legislature and at home for your Program and yourself.
- To have fun, be recognized and honored for the contribution you make to the greater Head Start Community.
- To understand your own Program better as a reflection of the other Programs in Idaho...strengths and challenges alike.

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