

In partnership with the community, Community Action assists low-income people to achieve self-determination.

1. Family Services Consultant Azanet Cabezas has completed her contract with our program as of June 30th. Connie Bowen has signed a contract for the 2010-2011 program year. She began her work on July 1st and will work closely with Gail Boyle during the year. During the month of July Connie will visit the CDCs to introduce herself. Please welcome her to your centers. She is also available via email at [conniebowen@comcast.net](mailto:conniebowen@comcast.net).

2. The Toddler 2 class at the Hillsboro CDC had a multi-cultural party last week. They celebrated the traditional food, music, and clothing from many countries around the world. Parents, grandparents, siblings, cousins, and friends came to the party, and many people dressed in traditional clothing from their countries of origin. Thanks to everyone who participated: it was a lot of fun!



3. Congratulations to Michelle for the largest socialization group we've had in our three years of operation! Michelle appeared cool as a cucumber and jumped right in, hands first – or was that head first? She is the Martha Stewart of our Early Head Start socializations. Talk about a fun time had by all!

Thanks also to Lindsey and Elizabeth who provided support and enthusiasm, especially considering that they are new to the socialization experience. A real trial by fire, and yet they seemed to already know what they were doing!

A big thanks also to Wanda who, as always, proved just how flexible and "go with the flow" one has to be to take on the multiple roles of bus driver, resident nurturer, food provider, interior decorator, gardening mentor, bus inspector, and more.

It was great to have Mary Beth AND Christy with us on such a bustling busy and active day, when the number of siblings almost matched the number of enrolled children. (Summer is here!) Thanks to them both for their great insight and help.

Kathy Zane commented, "I love the sense of camaraderie that Michelle's group has; how comfortable, social and supportive they are with one another and how much they really care for each other's children. How great was it that they had so much fun in the circles outdoors?! Where was that camera, doggone it! Our only regret? That Angelica had to miss this group. I know that you were missed today...Thanks again to everyone!"

4. Community Action will not sponsor the CDC sub pool for the rest of the summer. As of July 1<sup>st</sup>, if you want to sub this summer, please call Sarah at MOTUS Recruiting and Staffing at 503-496-1310 to sign up. You must let her know you are a Head Start employee off for the summer, and you need to provide your Criminal History Registry number and expiration date. To get that information from the state, call 1-800-556-6616 and press #3 when prompted.

5. On behalf of Jerralynn Ness, the Community Action Board of Directors, and the Directors Team, we have very good news to share. The Community Action Board approved an agency-wide 3% general increase for fiscal year 2010 -11. During the 2010-11 budgeting process the Directors Team was able to successfully apply the increase to their budgets, and the Board approved the agency budget, including the increase, in May.

The increase is effective July 1st, 2010. You will see it on the check you receive on July 16th for weeks ending July 3rd and July 10th. Check page 48 of the Employee Handbook for eligibility criteria regarding this increase. If you have any questions, contact your manager or director.





# Head Start Scheduled Trainings

DATE	DESCRIPTION	ADDRESS	TIME	EHS or HS	COMMENTS
7/16	Pre-Service Training - Health overview CACFP Overview	TBD	8am—4pm	EHS/HS Full Day—Full Year	<b>Health</b> includes vision & hearing screenings <b>CACFP</b> includes Civil Rights & CACFP meal component on infant feeding