Family Development Outcomes Child Care Connection

	Fall	Winter	Spring
Family Well Being (Average)	4.1	4.1	4.0
Chemical Dependency	4.8	4.9	4.8
Food Nutrition Clothing	3.7	3.8	3.7
Housing and Shelter	3.3	3.6	3.4
Income Budget	3.3	3.4	3.2
Mental/Social Emotional health	4.6	4.4	4.4
Transportation	4.8	4.7	4.7
Utilities	4.2	4.1	4.0
Positive Parent-Child Relationships (Average)	4.0	4.1	4.1
Child Care	3.9	3.9	3.9
Parenting/Child Education	3.6	3.7	3.7
Pregnancy/Infant Care	4.6	4.7	4.6
Families and Life Long Educators (Average)	3.3	3.6	3.4
Medical and Dental	3.3	3.6	3.4
Families as Learners (Average)	3.9	4.1	3.9
Adult Education	3.7	3.9	3.9
Employment	3.5	3.8	3.3
Technology	4.6	4.6	4.6
Family Engagement in Transitions (Average)	2.1	2.2	2.8
School Readiness	2.1	2.2	2.8
Family Connections to Peers and Community (Average)	3.8	3.8	3.8
Community Involvement	3.1	3.2	3.3
Family Relations	4.0	3.9	3.9
Legal	4.4	4.5	4.3
Families as Advocates and Leaders (Average)	2.2	2.4	2.5
Group Leadership	2.2	2.4	2.5

Program Improvement

There was little overall movement in the seven indicators for family development. The greatest gain was in the Family Engagement in Transitions. This is an area where the scores as a whole are on the lower side. By nature of what the indicator assesses the families should have the greatest gains in the areas of transitions as they prepare to transition into another program. Another area of gain is Families as Advocates and Leaders. This is also a great testament of the Head Start program as they try to move families to self-sufficiency, they are becoming leaders and advocates for their families. The areas of concern and in need of improvement are first, Families as Learners, because there is only small gain for the year and the scores in general are lower in comparison to other outcomes. Unfortunately, due to lack of funding, there is not a lot of funding to put toward Adult Education and Employment. We will train Family Advocates to focus on education and employment on the Home Visits, and to push family goals in those two areas as well. The second area needing improvement would be area of Families as Life Long Learners. This is an area that will always begin low, and grow due to the indicator within the outcome. Teaching families to care after their medical and dental needs, and then to keep the families update and current with the federal requirements takes the year to educate the families.