

City of Lawrence  
Outside Agency  
Bi-annual Report  
2016

Reports on activity should be submitted electronically to Danielle Buschkoetter, at [dbuschkoetter@lawrenceks.org](mailto:dbuschkoetter@lawrenceks.org). Reports on activities from January 2016 to June 2016 are due on July 15<sup>th</sup> 2016. Cumulative reports on activities from January 2016 through December 2016 are due on February 15<sup>th</sup> 2017.

**Agency Name: Success By 6 Coalition of Douglas County**

**Reporting Period (please check one):**      ☐ January - June (deadline July 15)      ☒ January – December (deadline February 15)

1. Give a brief narrative of the activities that were funded with City funds over the reporting period checked above

*During this reporting period we continued to implement the child care financial aid. This involves identifying eligible families, calculating their financial aid amounts, verifying the enrollment of the recipients' children in qualified early care and education programs, administering CLASS Observations in the classrooms, and administering Individual Growth and Development Indicators for toddlers (IGDI) or Preschoolers (MyIGDI). An activity associated with this project is the integration of City funds with other financial aid funds from the Early Childhood Block Grant and the United Way of Douglas County and funds for continuous quality improvement in the early learning environments in which the children are enrolled. In 2016 we introduced a Peer Leadership Group for Center Directors as a requirement for participation in the child care financial aid program. The focus of this group is on using CLASS observation data to plan and implement continuous quality improvement.*

2. Provide specific detail (and supportive documents, if needed) to demonstrate progress made toward your goals/objectives.

*In 2016 the overall financial aid program served 45 children of which 10.2 were served by City funds. All of the children received individualized developmental screenings and individualized assessments of growth and development in areas related to literacy and numeracy. Teachers of these children received coaching, training. In these ways we have ensured that City funded financial aid is supported by positive outcomes at both the child and program level.*

<b>Source of Funds</b>	<b>Number of Scholarships</b>	<b>Amount of Scholarships</b>	<b>Dates of financial aid assistance</b>
<i>United Way of Douglas County</i>	<i>23.8</i>	<i>\$55,925</i>	<i>Jan – Aug 2016</i>
<i>Early Childhood Block Grant – KS Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund</i>	<i>11.00</i>	<i>\$35,872</i>	<i>Jan – Dec 2016</i>
<i>City of Lawrence</i>	<i>10.2</i>	<i>\$25,050</i>	<i>Jan – Dec 2016</i>

1. How have you impacted the citizens of Lawrence?

*Working families get what they need to successfully parent their young children. To the extent that these working families' employers are based in Lawrence, these employers have the support of the city in one factor (child care) to retain a productive workforce. The following is a summary of the child and program level outcome measures.*

2. What barriers, if any, have you encountered?

*We did not experience any implementation barriers in 2016.*

3. Review the line-item budget you provided in your application. How much of your allocation has been spent? *We spent all of the funds the City allocated to this project.*