

**Tohono O'odham Nation  
Head Start Program  
2008-2009 Annual Report**



*Mission Statement: : to provide comprehensive services to all children residing on the nation between the ages of 3-5. These services include: Health, safety, nutrition, family wellness, education, and a focus on culture.*

## 2008-2009 Annual Report

I am pleased to present this report on the program's activities in the 2008-2009 school year. We continue to work hard to make your child's early educational experience a positive one. Our goals remain unchanged: to prepare children for success in kindergarten and to strengthen families in the Community.

- John Fallon, Head Start Manager

### Enrollment/Attendance Summary

<b>2008-2009</b>		
Maintained 100% Head Start funded enrollment	All 215 slots were filled throughout the year. 254 children received services throughout the year.	Ended the year with 331 completed enrollment files. 116 children over the funded enrollment amount.
<b>Attendance:</b> Average Daily Attendance (ADA)	Monthly (ADA) for Head Start students maintained between 80%-85%	Head Start standard requires 85% attendance rate.
<b>Health Exams:</b> Worked well with I.H.S., dental clinics, shot clinics, Head Start days at clinic.	212 physical exams (96%), 191 dental exams (90%)  220 hearing, vision, developmental screens, Height and Weight	100% up to date on required childhood immunizations



# Budgeted Funds

	Head Start Federal	Head Start T/TA	Tribal Match	Total Head
<b>Salaries</b>	\$879,717		\$244,252	\$1,123,969
<b>Benefits</b>	\$281,509		\$78,160	\$359,669
<b>Operations</b>	\$462,842	\$18,330	\$85,814	\$566,986
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$1,624,070.</b>	<b>\$18,330.00</b>	<b>\$408,227</b>	<b>\$2,050,627</b>



**Additional tribal funds allocated to Head Start:**

**\$2,000,000** construction budget for Sells Center Project

**\$1,105,605.38** for other construction and repair projects for Head start centers

**Free Rent at all centers**

**General Pool services:** such as motorpool, finance, Human Resources, and facilities maintenance.

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

### Head Start Graduates are:

- more likely to be kindergarten ready
- less likely to need early reading intervention
- able to count to 10
- able to write their names
- children are able to identify beginning & end sounds of words

## PARENT INVOLVEMENT

### Parent Programs Include:

- Active Policy Council
- Monthly Parent Meetings
- Volunteer Opportunities/ CUBS program
- Family Partnership Agreements
- Field Trips

## EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Head Start Olympics

Head Start Jr. Rodeo

Pumpkin Patch

“Month of the Young Child”

Winter Night Extravaganza

Cultural Activities

Field Trips

Pictures

### *Head Start Education Center Goals*

#### **Goal #1: To prepare enrolled children for success in kindergarten**

- Improve classroom instruction
- Improve student and staff attendance
- Increase educational level of staff
- Improve staff ability to deal with challenging student behavior

#### **Goal #2: To strengthen families of enrolled children**

- Provide case management as needed
- Offer additional resources to support families