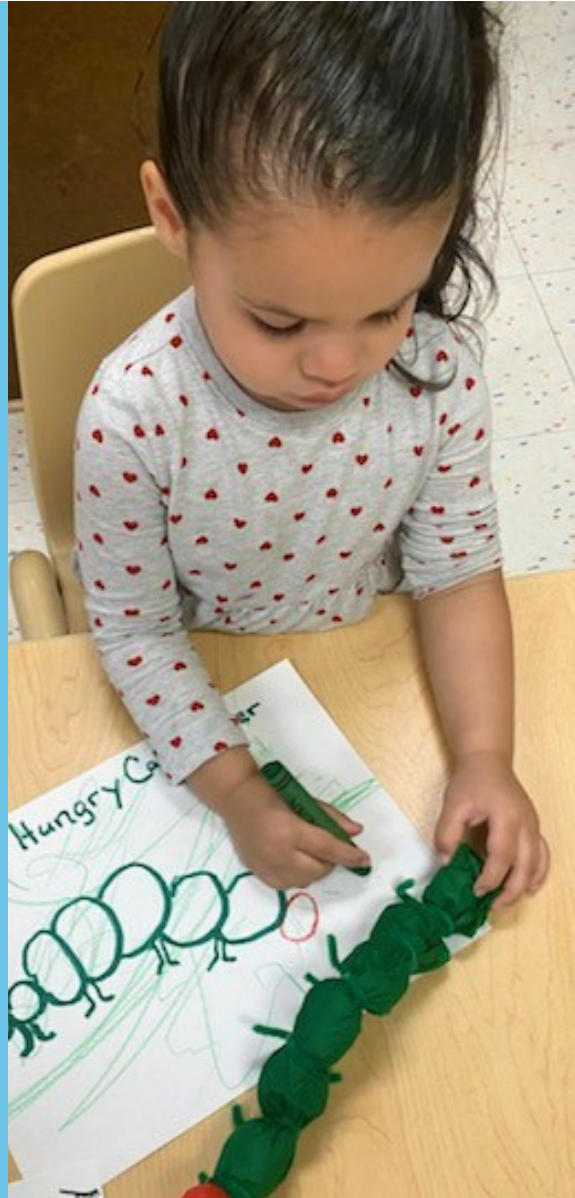


Alliance
Center for
Education



2020 ANNUAL REPORT

PROVIDING HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION AND SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN IN
NEED THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS WITH THEIR FAMILIES.

Our Big Announcement August 20, 2020

Because you care, we are...

Celebrating 80 Years

Providing high-quality education and support for children through partnerships with their families.



Bethlehem Center
OF CHARLOTTE

*Thank you for helping us
become the preferred educational
services provider in our community!*

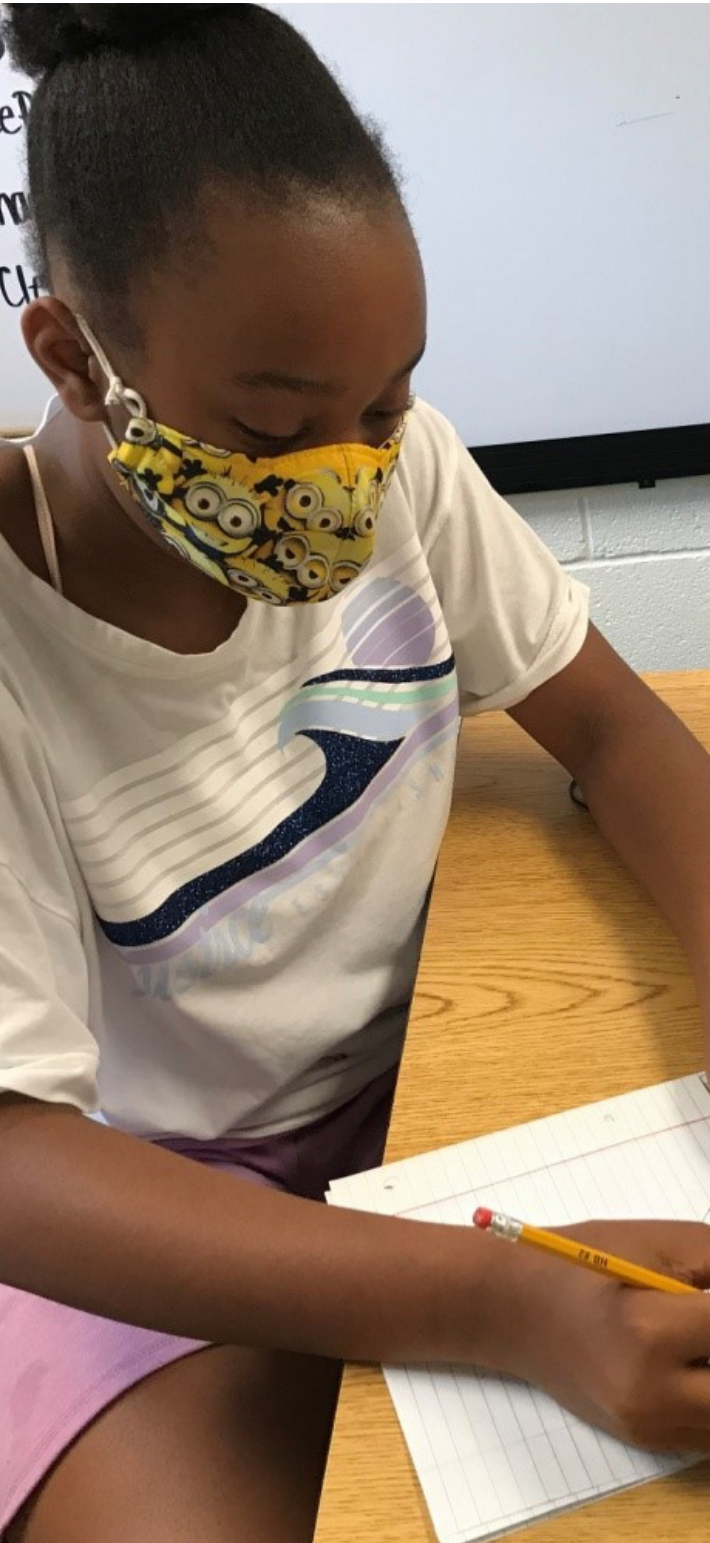
**To celebrate this 80-Year Milestone
and better communicate our
mission of providing educational
programs for children in need, we
are updating our look and our name!**

*We are
changing
our name!*



**Alliance Center
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ABOUT OUR ORGANIZATION



Our organization has a rich history of focusing on actionable and supportive solutions for children in need and their families.

In 1940, an innovative group of women from the United Methodist Women's organization in Charlotte founded the Bethlehem Center. The Center's work focused on improving the dire economic conditions of women living in Charlotte's Brooklyn neighborhood - which was located near the current site of the NASCAR Hall of Fame. The program's focus was to empower these women with the skills and education necessary to improve their employment opportunities and their family's economic position. As the years past, the Center's focus moved into the children's educational needs.

Today, our vision is to positively affect the future of children at risk by improving their economic mobility through education. Our individualized approach and focus on relationship-building with our children and their families has proven successful and has positively impacted thousands of children over the years.

We thank our supporters, community and families for trusting in us throughout these many years!

“

If I get stuck on a homework problem, my OST teachers come and help me out!

~Atajeeon, age 6

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A WORD FROM THE CHAIRMAN

This organization has a decades-long legacy of serving the needs of vulnerable children and families in our Charlotte community. The incredible staff and our partners show admirable dedication to helping to aid all children in Charlotte to have the best possible chance to succeed academically and beyond. Despite our thriving economy, Charlotte ranks last among US cities in economic mobility and improving education to all is a critical part of changing that.”



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris Shananhan". The signature is fluid and cursive, written on a light-colored, slightly textured background.

CHRIS SHANAHAN
CHAIRMAN

“ *Our family has been compelled to share our resources for this great cause because every child in our community deserves the chance to succeed academically.* ”

Pillars for Developmental Success

Parent/Caregiver
Engagement



Academic & Career
Readiness



Social and
Emotional Growth



Physical Health &
Mental Wellness



Our programs use frequent assessments to monitor academic, social and emotional growth of each child and our staff expertly modifies their teaching styles to help each child get the most out of their learning experience.





WILLIAM MCDONALD
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

2020 was a year of challenge & opportunity! Our dedicated staff responded extremely well to the many unique challenges presented during 2020. We created opportunities to provide new programs, deliver established programs in new ways and to provide essential services so primary caregivers could continue working to support their families!

Alliance Center for Education served children in classrooms and virtually meeting the individual needs of families within our programs across Mecklenburg County. Our commitment to quality education remained strong as displayed through the tireless efforts of our team.

A very special Thank You to the many wonderful sponsors, donors and partners that not only stood with us, they increased their amazing support during this time of need! To our staff, thank you for being so dedicated to the future of our children!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'William McDonald', written in a cursive style.

**A WORD
FROM THE
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

PHILOSOPHY



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INSPIRE EDUCATE TRANSFORM

We believe that:

- Each child is a unique person, growing and learning at his or her own pace and in his or her own way.
- Every child's physical and mental health needs must be met first to optimize his or her energies on learning
- A child benefits from his or her education when it is a shared experience with their families and our staff
- Using appropriate researched-based curriculum provides the best framework for all age groups.



Early Childhood Education Programs

High quality, no-cost programs for children birth to age 5.

Birth to 35 months

Infants and toddlers need to be exposed to word-rich, nurturing environments to build complex neurological pathways used later in life. Whether a parent is part of our Home Visitor Program or using in-center care, we focus on this important neurological growth for our youngest children.

3-year olds

Curious 3-year-olds learn through discovery. Our full-day educational program makes the most of these learning opportunities using an evidence-based curriculum designed especially for curious minds and busy hands.

4-5 year old's

Our Pre-K program is designed to prepare children for that first day of Kindergarten and beyond! Curriculum and teaching are tailored to best support a child's needs, and on-going assessments keep our students on track for success!

ECE Center Locations



Brightwalk
1240 Badger Court



Mulberry Baptist
6450 Tuckaseegee Rd



St Johns
300 Hawthorne Ln



The Plaza
6015 Barrington Dr



Oaklawn
1920 Stroud Park Ct



Stephanie Jennings
3320 N Sharon Amity Rd



McAlpine
8310 McAlpine Park Dr



Southside
2617 Baltimore Ave



Tryon Hills
2600 Grimes St



All of our Early Childhood Education Centers have been awarded with a 5-Star rating from the State of North Carolina

Out of School Time Afterschool Programs

Research has shown that students enrolled in a high-quality afterschool program are more likely to stay engaged in school, attain higher grades, and graduate from high school on-time.

Our high-quality, year-round afterschool programs provide tutoring and other academic supports, mentoring, and social activities in a fun and safe environment.

Our OST programs are divided by grade level

K-5th grade

6th - 12th grade

to meet the changing needs of elementary age children and teens preparing for college or developing career aspirations.

Students enrolled during our summer session have the option to attend an away-camp that engages them in a number of experiences in nature, sports activities and arts and crafts!

Our afterschool programs are conveniently located around Mecklenburg County.



6450 Tuckaseegee Rd
Mulberry Community



6015 Barrington Drive
The Plaza



2821 Park Road
Avondale Presbyterian Church



2020 OVERVIEW

We again want to express our gratitude to our grantors, donors, supporters, volunteers, staff and all of our families for supporting the Alliance Center for Education throughout this challenging year.

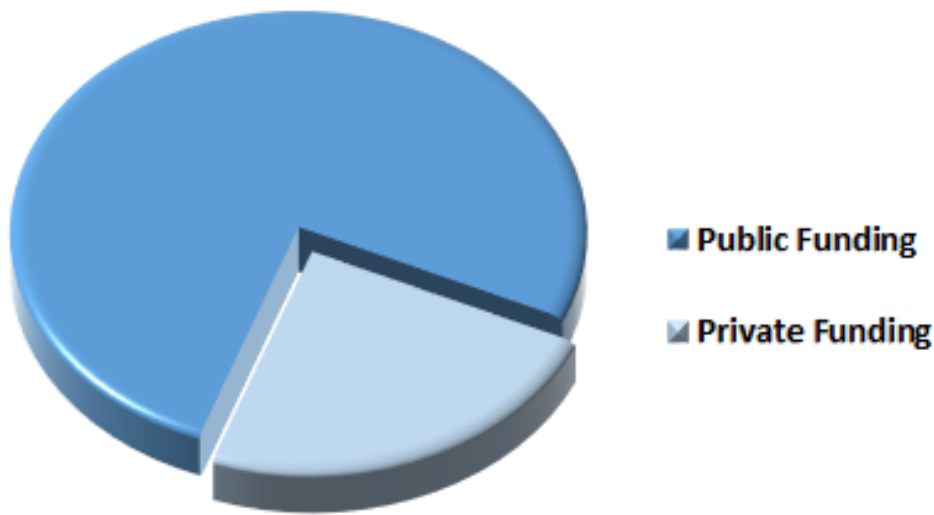
FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Fiscal Year 2020 Statement of Activities

	Public Funding	Private Funding	Total
Revenues			
US Dept. of Health & Human Services Office of Head Start	\$ 7,993,926		\$ 7,993,926
Meck Pre-K	724,033		724,033
NC Dept. Health & Human Services - USDA	236,845		236,845
Mecklenburg County - Behavioral Health Division	98,263		98,263
NC Pre - K	125,836		125,836
City of Charlotte	153,351		153,351
In-kind Contributions		1,783,355	1,783,355
Faith Based Support		32,550	32,550
Foundations		73,052	73,052
Individual & Corporate donors		52,653	52,653
Fund Raising		139,710	139,710
Interest and Other Earned Revenue		835,699	835,699
Total Revenue	\$ 9,332,254	\$ 2,917,019	\$ 12,249,273
Expenses			
Program			
Early Childhood Development			9,612,006
Out of School Time			315,121
Total Program Expenses			\$ 9,927,127
Administration			1,281,536
Fund Raising and Development			86,353
Depreciation			174,799
Total Expenses			11,469,815
Total Gain in Net Assets			\$ 779,458
	Net Asset Balance 12/31/2019		\$ 1,005,863
	Net Asset Balance 12/31/2020		\$ 1,785,321

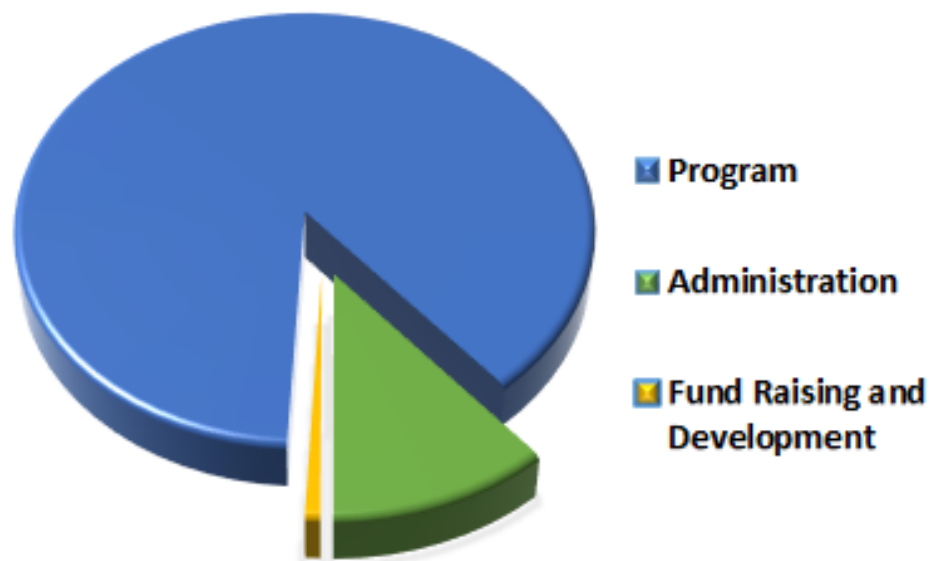
2020 Overview

Alliance Center for Education is a responsible steward in program implementation and expense allocation.



AC4ED REVENUE SOURCES

AC4ED ALLOCATION OF FUNDING



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