



inspired child

THE EDUCATION PROGRAM OF DUMBARTON ARTS & EDUCATION

ADAPTING, EVOLVING, GROWING / ANNUAL REPORT FY22





A student from Kuumba Learning Center in Ward 8 displays the visual arts project she created.



As the COVID-19 pandemic has abated, the vital importance of high-quality early childhood education is abundantly clear. Teachers and families have witnessed the unique power of the arts to engage young children in learning, and the demand for programs that support children’s cognitive and social-emotional development has never been higher.

Inspired Child addresses this critical need in early childhood education by offering teaching artist residencies in infant, toddler, and Pre-K classrooms, giving children joyful learning experiences and instilling foundational skills. We are pleased to report that Dancing With Books™, our Pre-K program, served 1,009 children in FY22—more than ever before—as we have continued to expand our program despite the pandemic. We also successfully relaunched Rainbowdance™, a music and movement program for toddlers created by Boston Children’s Foundation that takes a trauma-informed approach to fostering the emotional and social skills necessary for children to thrive. Unfortunately, we were not able to offer our innovative infant program, Dancing With Babies™, due to ongoing complications in presenting in-person programs for the youngest learners, but we are looking forward to a full relaunch of this program in 2023.

Another essential element of Inspired Child’s approach is programming for teachers and families that help them leverage the arts to advance children’s growth. Over the past year, we have offered professional development in arts integration to 1,154 teachers and 288 families.



Children engage in music-based learning with teaching artists Magpie and Abdou Muhammad as part of a Dancing With Books™ classroom residency.

FOR INSPIRED CHILD, 2022 WAS A YEAR OF PHENOMINAL RESILIENCE AND GROWTH.

We also provided 2,183 books to families with young children to read together at home.













Early learners across Washington, DC, have experienced learning losses and physical, social-emotional, and cognitive development delays as a result of the pandemic. Inspired Child is helping children regain developmental

ground through programs that combine the latest research in brain science with the unique power of the arts. By making learning fun, fostering children’s creativity and imagination, and strengthening their sense of belonging and community in the classroom, we are helping to ensure they are prepared for success in kindergarten and beyond.

A RETURN TO PRE-PANDEMIC NUMBERS

Our data shows that we have returned to, or are exceeding, the same number of people we were serving in March 2020, before the shutdown caused by the pandemic.

In FY22, Inspired Child benefited 14,857 individuals from early childhood programs in DC public and charter schools and community-based child development centers, the majority of whom live in DC's most under-resourced neighborhoods.

IMPACT	GROWTH SINCE FY20	YEAR-TO-YEAR COMPARISON
 CHILDREN DIRECTLY SERVED	 42%	FY20 589
		FY21 732
		FY22 1,009
 TEACHERS TRAINED	 100%	FY20 657
		FY21 1,534
		FY22 1,305
 FAMILIES SERVED	 13%	FY20 198
		FY21 248
		FY22 228
 WORKSHOPS GIVEN		FY20 588
		FY21 357
		FY22 587
 BOOKS DONATED		FY20 2,308
		FY21 1,094
		FY22 2,183
 CLASSROOMS SERVED		FY20 83
		FY21 68
		FY22 85

OUTPUTS BY PROGRAM

Our programs are designed with the specific needs of each group—infant, toddler, and Pre-K children as well as adult educators—in mind. Inspired Child delivers targeted and effective learning strategies that inspire a lifelong love of learning, books, and the arts.



Pre-K students dance with teaching artist Sylvia Soumah and receive backpacks of books.

Dancing With Books™

Classroom Residency Program
for Pre-K Students, ages 3 to 5 years

- 456 workshops provided
- 913 children served
- 127 teachers trained
- 73 classrooms participated
- 508 certified professional development hours

Rainbowdance™

Classroom Residency Program
for Toddlers, ages 18 months to 3 years

- 100 Workshops Given
- 96 children served
- 24 teachers trained
- 12 classrooms participated
- 144 certified professional development hours

Dancing With Babies™

Classroom Residency Program
for Infants, birth to 18 months

- Unable to offer due to COVID safety protocols for infants

Naptime U.™

Professional Development Workshops
for Teachers

- 28 workshops given
- 1,154 teachers trained
- 13,848 children benefitted

Read With Me™

Family Literacy Workshops
for Parents and Caregivers

- 3 workshops given
- 228 families served

Reading for Life™

Book Donation Program

- 2,183 books donated
- 950 backpacks donated
- 258 art kits donated

STUDENTS GAIN SKILLS LEARNING THROUGH THE ARTS

Our evaluations demonstrate that a majority of teachers strongly agree that our programs improved their students' motor and cognitive skills, social-emotional development, understanding of curriculum content, and exposure to the arts.

In FY22, Inspired Child presented in-person residencies in a total of **85 early childhood classrooms**, offering **556 workshops** to **1,009 children**. All classroom teachers received hands-on, OSSE-certified professional development and one-on-one coaching from Inspired Child teaching artists. Students were excited to engage in learning through the arts and teachers were thrilled to learn new ways to integrate the arts into their practice.

Percent of teachers surveyed who said their students skills improved:



INTRODUCING INSPIRED CHILD'S NEW CURRICULUM: "A TO Z: THIS IS MY DC"

An exciting new project we completed this year was the release of a song, music video and curriculum called "A to Z: This Is My DC." The song and video use the alphabet to take us on a musical tour of Washington, DC. The accompanying curriculum gives adults the tools to engage their young learners in a sensory exploration of the nation's capital while promoting crucial early childhood literacy learning goals.

A celebration of the people, places, and go-go music of DC, the "A to Z" song and dance was created and performed by Inspired Child teaching artist Sylvia Soumah.



Scan the QR code to access the music video



Scan the QR code to access the dance tutorial

The DC-centric curriculum, developed in collaboration with Dr. Jessica Phillips-Silver, is available in both print and digital formats. Visit www.inspired-child.org/atozproject to learn more.





A child from Happy Faces Learning Center displays his new backpack and books.

SUPPORTING DC'S EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAMS SINCE 1994

Ward 1

- Anthony Bowen CDC
- Apple Early Literacy Preschool
- Christian Tabernacle CDC
- Easter Seals CDC
- Edward Mazique Learning Center
- * Gap Community Childcare Center
- * Howard University Hospital Childcare Center
- * Martha's Table
- * Rosemount Center
- Tiny Findings
- * UPO Early Childhood Development Center #1
- Seaton DCPS

Ward 2

- * Barbara Chambers Childrens Center
- * CentroNia Multicultural Learning Center

Ward 3

- Children's House of Washington Hyde-Addison DCPS
- Friendship Childcare Center
- * St. Alban's Childcare Center

Ward 4

- * Adventureland CDC I and II
- Bridges PCS
- Briya PCS
- * Children's Hut CDC
- * Foundry CDC
- Goldie's CDC
- LaSalle Backus DCPS
- Loving Care CDC
- * Lynn Carols CDC
- * Roots Activity Learning Center
- Spanish Education Development Center
- * UPO Early Childhood Development Center #4
- West Education Campus DCPS

Ward 5

- * Joseph P. Kennedy Institute
- Bennett Babies
- Happy Faces CDC
- Isle of Patmos
- Isreal Baptist CDC
- Noyes DCPS
- Our Redeemer CDC
- Langdon DCPS
- DC Bilingual PCS
- Friendship Armstrong PCS
- Wheatley DCPS
- Whittier DCPS

Ward 6

- * Azeeze-Bates CDC
- AsA Early Learning Academy
- Assembly of Saunts CDC

- * Bright Beginnings
- Footsteps of Children
- Full Gospel Tabernacle CDC
- J.O. Wilson DCPS
- Kids Universe CDC
- * Northwest Settlement House
- Paradise Early Care DPR
- UPO Early CDC #9
- Payne DPR
- Pilgrim Baptist Church
- Shiloh CDC
- St. Johns Little Angels/ UPO Early CDC #10
- Tyler Elementary School
- UPO Early Childhood Development Center #6

Ward 7

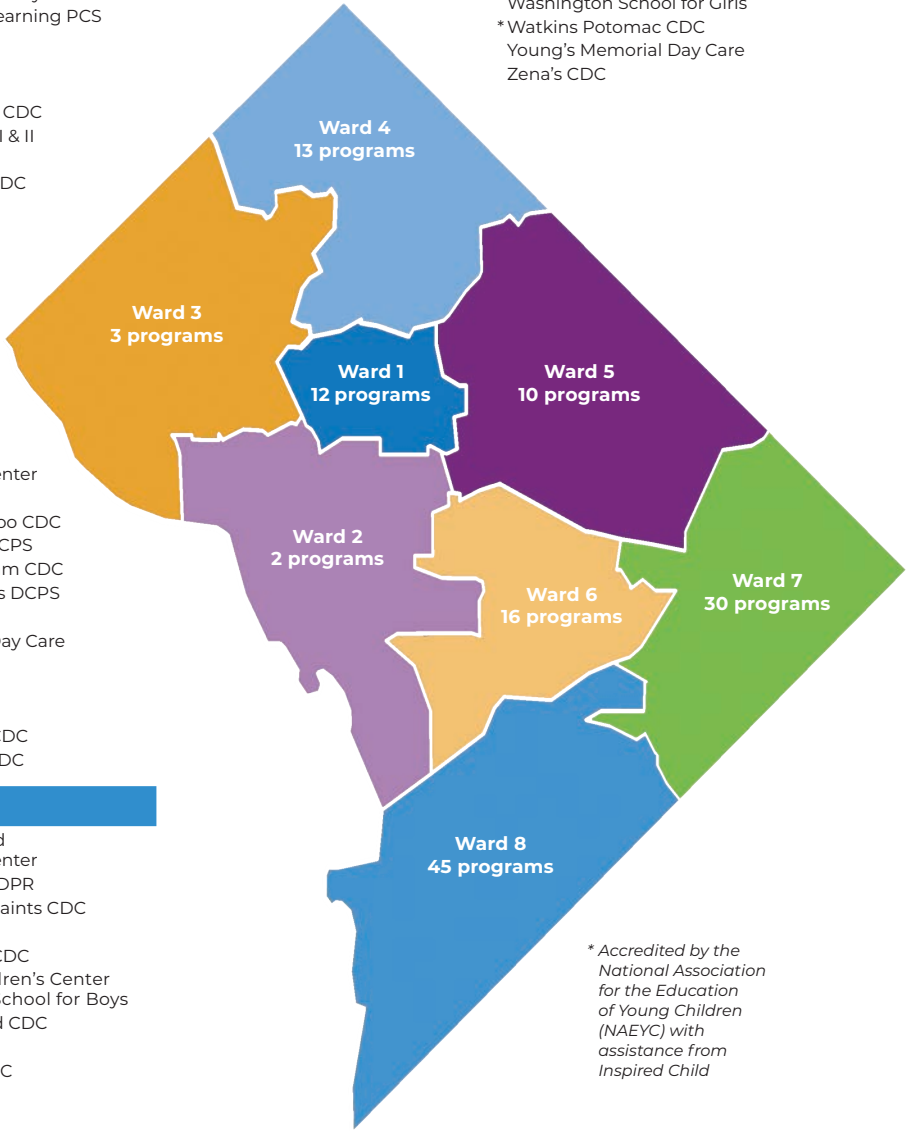
- Agape Cabbage Patch CDC
- All My Children CDC
- Allen AME Church Day Care Center
- AppleTree Early Learning PCS
- Bald Eagle DPR
- Barry Farms DPR
- Bundles of Joy
- Catholic Charities CDC
- Community CDC I & II
- Deliverance CDC
- Discovering You CDC
- Edgewood DPR
- Educare DC
- First Baptist CDC
- First Rock CDC
- Friendship House CDC
- Friendship PCS
- Home Away From Home
- * House of Ruth Kidspace Child and Family Development Center
- Kiddie City
- Kids Are People Too CDC
- Neville Thomas DCPS
- Peaches and Cream CDC
- Randall Highlands DCPS
- * Randall Hyland
- Safe and Sound Day Care
- St. Timothy's CDC
- Stanton DCPS
- Tabernacle CDC
- Vision of Victory CDC
- Wibble Wobble CDC

Ward 8

- Allen Chapel Child Development Center
- Atlantic Gardens DPR
- Assembly of the Saints CDC
- * Benning Park
- Bethel Christian CDC
- * Big Mama's Children's Center
- Bishop Walker School for Boys
- Clara Muhammad CDC
- Creative Korner
- * Dawn to Dusk CDC

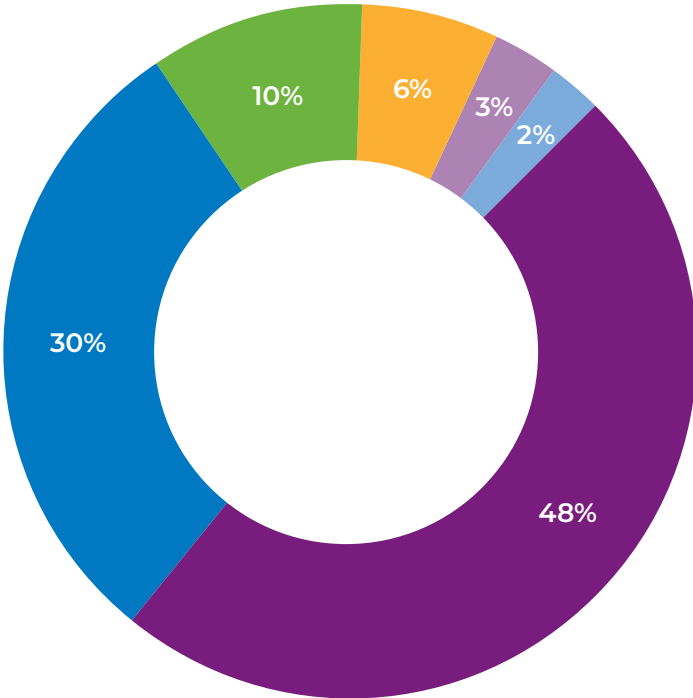
- DC City Wide
- Welfare Rights CDC
- Democracy Prep PCS
- Early Childhood Learning Center
- Excel PCS
- Emergent Preparatory Academy
- Faces of Hope CDC
- The Family Place
- Geneva Ivy Day School
- Hendley DCPS
- Ketcham DCPS
- Kiddies Kollege
- Kuumba Learning Center
- * Kids Are Us Learning Center II
- Leckie DCPS
- Little Angels CCC
- LoLeLo CDC

- Love and Care Child Education Center
- * Malcolm X Early Childhood Center
- Martha's Table
- * Matthews Memorial CDC
- National Children's Center
- New Creations CDC
- * New United Christian Academy
- Paramount CDC
- Patterson DCPS
- * Rehoboth Baptist Church Day Care Center
- * Southeast Childrens Fund
- St. Phillips CDC
- St. Thomas More Catholic Academy
- Sunshine Learning Center
- Turner DCPS
- * UPO Early Childhood Development Center #8
- Washington School for Girls
- * Watkins Potomac CDC
- Young's Memorial Day Care
- Zena's CDC



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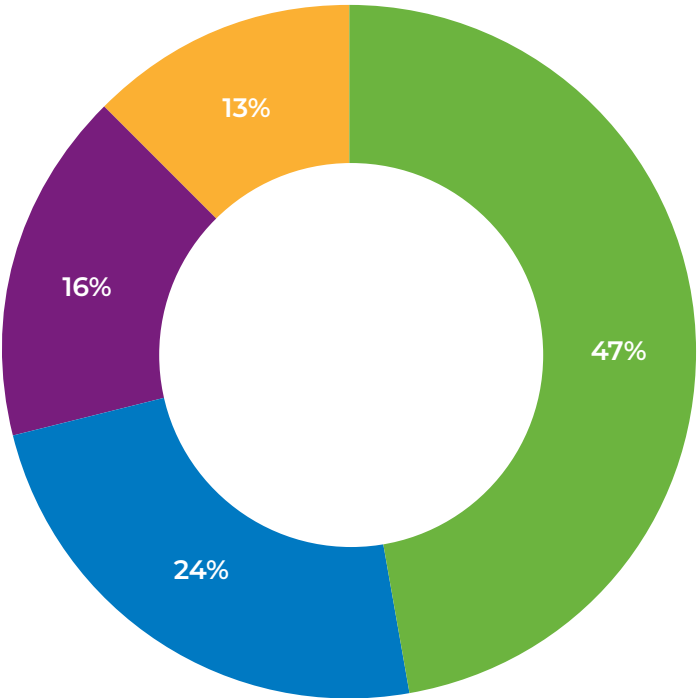


FY 22 REVENUE & SUPPORT

Foundation Support	\$ 476,900
Government Grants	\$ 292,166
Individual Giving	\$ 100,600
Concert Revenue	\$ 61,932
Corporate Giving	\$ 30,855
Workshop Fees	\$ 22,580
Total	\$ 985,033

FY 22 EXPENSES

Inspired Child	\$ 384,605
Dumbarton Concerts	\$ 194,046
Management & General	\$ 132,748
Fundraising	\$ 101,008
Total	\$ 812,407



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