



Funds Distribution Report

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Organization's General Goals:
Denise Louie Education Center's mission is to promote school and life readiness by providing multicultural preschool, early learning, and child care services to children and families, especially those who need our services the most.

Date of Award:	Level:
2025 Q1	\$2,501 to \$5,000

For more information, please read the attached report from Denise Louie Education Center.

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From: Nikki Huang

Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2025

To: Marilyn Sheldon

Subject: Q1 2025 14.2 REPORT - Denise Louie Education Center

It is with much gratitude that we submit our grant report for funds received in May of 2025 from the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Contributions. We would love a jpeg of your logo. Without further ado, on behalf of Denise Louie's board, staff, volunteers, and most of all, our children and families: Thank you for being a compassionate and generous partner who is fighting alongside us as we battle the inequity in early education in the midst of funding uncertainty. We are thrilled to share that, thanks in part to your support, we served a total of **2,168** children and caregivers through our core programs in the 2024-2025 program year. These programs collectively recognize the importance of home, school, and community; they encompass the following:

Early Head Start (EHS): Our EHS program assists low-income families and women with children ages birth to three or who are pregnant. We served 65 infants, 119 toddlers, and 12 pregnant mothers in the 2024-2025 program year. We conduct weekly 90-minute home visits to provide caregivers with early learning activities, parent support, and health services in their home languages. We also facilitate bi-monthly socialization events that educate caregivers on topics they are interested in, such as financial literacy. We engage in early intervention through regular assessments of children's developmental milestones, in order to identify special needs and provide resources promptly.

Preschool Services: Our three preschool sites (Beacon Hill, Yesler Terrace, and Mercy Magnuson Place) for children ages 3 to 5 offer a high-quality curriculum, which includes literacy, math, and social-emotional skills. We served 217 preschoolers in our 2024-2025 program year. Our preschool program predominantly serves immigrant and refugee families with children ages three to five, and who have an income under \$25,100 for a family of four. Children in foster care, families experiencing homelessness, and children with special needs are given priority in enrollment.

Infant & Toddler Childcare: Our toddler and infant classrooms are structured to provide individualized care in a calm, safe, and developmental environment for children ages 0-3

years old. Classrooms are located at our Mercy Magnuson Place and Yesler Terrace centers.

Kaleidoscope Play & Learn (KPL): Our KPL groups are free sessions open to all children birth to five years old and their caregivers. Play & Learn groups are held weekly at the Columbia, Lake City, and Rainier Beach public libraries. Participants meet others in their community and foster healthy child development through 90 minutes of open-ended play, circle time, and resource-sharing. Kaleidoscope Play & Learn continues to be a place of connection, learning, and support not just for children, but for families navigating early childhood together. Between July 2024 and June 2025, DLEC facilitated 135 Play & Learn sessions, registering a total of 733 children and 615 caregivers.

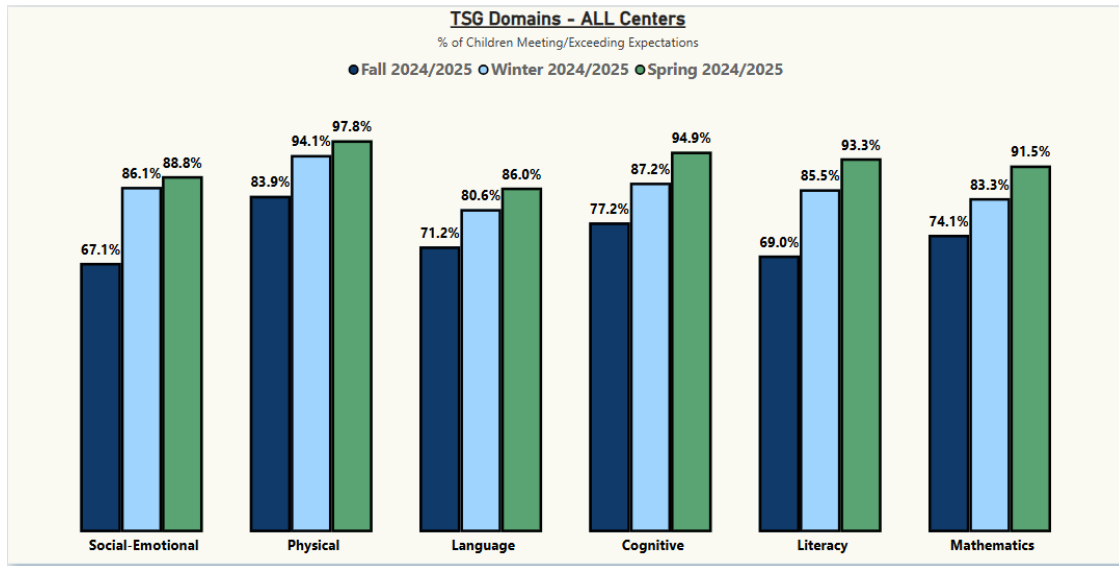
Families served

Due to DLEC serving some of Seattle's most vulnerable populations, the support we received this past year was more important than we had imagined. In the 2024-2025 program year, 38% of our families were single-parent households, 29 families were experiencing homelessness, and 2 children were in foster care. At least 62% of the families fell below the federal poverty level, with many at or below 30% Area Median Income (AMI) level.

Families in our programs represent the vibrant cultural and ethnic diversity of King County. For example in the 2024-2025 SY, 28% of the families in our home visiting and education center programs are Asian, 29% Black or African American, 19% Hispanic/Latino, 7% White, 1% American Indian or Alaska Native and 14% Bi/multi-racial families. More than 65% of our families speak a language other than English at home, and many caregivers speak multiple languages. Families across our programs speak over 27 different languages.

Assessing Progress:

During the 2024-2025 program year, our goal was that 85% of our preschoolers would meet or exceed the SRG goal in all 6 kindergarten readiness domains by Spring 2025. The percentage of children meeting/exceeding in all 6 domains increased each quarter. In all domains, at least 86% of children met kindergarten readiness domains by Spring 2025.



We are extremely grateful for the Tulalip Tribe's support as we were able to finish out the school year strong with the additional funding we received. Thank you for your investment in our community's early learning services. Please contact Nikki Huang at (206) 818-8169 or via email at nhuang@deniselouie.org if you have any questions. Visit us at <https://deniselouie.org/> to learn more about our continuing efforts to provide quality early childhood education.



Children play the parachute game during Play & Learn at our Lake City and Columbia City location.



Two students play together at our Beacon Hill center.

All the best,

Nikki L. Huang, MPA

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