Investing in high-quality early childhood education and educators produces positive outcomes for our children, families, and the economic future of our country.

GOAL: ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY EARLY LEARNING

- **159,839** Number of children birth through age 8 (1)
- **13%** Percentage of children 0–5 who live in families with income below the federal poverty line (2)
- **64%** Percentage of children with all available parents in the workforce (3)

HOW MUCH ARE PARENTS PAYING ANNUALLY FOR CHILD CARE?

- **INFANT** $8,280
- **4 YEAR OLD** $9,312

WHERE ARE CHILDREN RECEIVING THEIR EARLY LEARNING EXPERIENCES?

- **2,950** # of children in Head Start and Early Head Start programs (6)
- **376** # of children in state funded PreK programs (7)
- **110** # of NAEYC accredited early learning programs (8)
- **5,800** # of children receiving child care assistance per month, on average (9)
- **9.17%** % of eligible children receiving child care assistance per month, on average (10)
- **7,541** # of children served in NAEYC accredited early learning programs (11)
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