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## Head Start & Early Head Start Services to continue in Burlington County *Center For Family Services will provide quality early learning program to children*

Burlington, NJ – Center For Family Services, Inc., a non-profit human service organization with a 100-year history of success serving children and families across New Jersey, has been selected as the new provider of Head Start and Early Head Start services in Burlington County, New Jersey. Through a grant award from the Administration of Children and Families, Office of Head Start, Center For Family Services will become the new provider effective September 1, 2020.

“Center For Family Services strongly believes in the ability of each child to succeed and values the parents, guardians, family members, community members, and teachers that impact a child’s development,” says Richard Stagliano, President/CEO of Center For Family Services.

“Education is the first and most important step to a better future for the children in our community. Center For Family Services is proud to offer a high quality early child learning experience that supports positive child outcomes.”

Head Start is a program of the United States Department of Health and Human Services that provides comprehensive education, health, nutrition, and parent involvement services to promote school readiness and enhance the social and cognitive development of children.

As the provider of Head Start services in Camden County since 2011, Center For Family Services provides comprehensive early learning and wrap-around services to approximately 700 Camden County children and families each year. With the addition of Burlington County, Center for Family Services will serve more than 1000 children and their families across Burlington and Camden Counties.

### **Message from Incumbent**

We at Burlington Community Action Partnership, Inc. (BCAP) were privileged to serve Head Start children and their families for 54 years and while we are confident that we have made a positive contribution to the children and families we served in Burlington County; we are confident that Center For Family Services will continue to provide important and quality Head Start/Early Head Start services. We offer them our best wishes for continued success.

Both BCAP and Center For Family Services are working together to ensure a seamless transition and continuity of services. Burlington Community Action Partnership, Inc. will continue to administer the many programs and services that BCAP offers to low-income individuals and families on a daily basis, except for the Head Start and Early Head Start components.

Families will be notified this week and together Center For Family Services and BCAP will ensure families, staff and community members receive clear communications regarding next steps.

Center For Family Services is a non-profit organization whose mission is to support and empower individuals, families, and communities to achieve a better life through vision, hope and strength. It is their vision that all people lead capable, responsible, fulfilled lives in strong families and healthy communities. The Head Start program at Center For Family Services promotes school readiness and maximizes opportunities for preschool children and their families to reach their full potential. For more information visit [www.centerffs.org](http://www.centerffs.org).

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