

The Children's Centers Child Care

The Children's Centers provide full day, full year child day care for pre-school children. All the child care is provided by trained professional staff in developmentally appropriate settings. These programs have all been accredited by the National Association for the Education of the Young Child (NAYEC), the first programs in York County to be so recognized.

The primary reason for care has been to enable parents to find and maintain employment. The Agency accesses public (Contracts for State and Federal Dollars negotiated through the Maine Department of Human Services), community (United Way of York County and community donations), and private fees for service. The cost to the family for this service is based on a sliding fee schedule and no family is required to pay more than 10% of family income for this service.

- **The Children's Center, Sanford**, which provides onsite child day care for 65 children, ages 6 weeks to 5 years of age from our location at 26 Amherst St. Sanford Maine.
- **The Children's Center, Kittery**, which provided onsite child day care for 30 children ages 2 to 5 years of age from our location at 518 US Rte 1, Kittery Maine.
- **The Children's Center @ East Side Acres**, which provided onsite child day care for 12 children ages 3 to 5 years of age primarily for the residents of the East Side Acres low income housing project, Sanford Maine.
- **The Children's Center Wrap Around program**, which provided onsite child day care for 20 children attending half day kindergarten and/or part time Head Start programming.



In 2003, The Children's Centers were able to provide child care to 200 families, providing a healthy early childhood experience for the children while enabling these families to maintain employment.