



TOLEDO CITY COUNCIL May 25, 2023

Purpose and Objectives

- 1. Background and Origin Story of HOPE Toledo
- 2. Community Need
- 3. HOPE Toledo Promise Solution
- 4. HOPE Toledo Pre-K Solution
- 5. What's Next?



Mission

Our mission is to support and ensure high-quality education—from preschool to postsecondary and trade school—for every young person in the city of Toledo, in order to create generational economic change for the betterment of our families and community.









What We Believe

- Every person, regardless of background, income, age or ability should have access to affordable, high-quality education near them
- A strong start in preschool makes the difference in the success experienced later in life
- Students should have the opportunity to graduate debt-free from a postsecondary program of their choice
- A two-generation approach to postsecondary education is a whole family "recipe" for long-term success



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Public-private leadership

- City of Toledo
- ProMedica
- Greater Toledo Community Foundation
- United Way of Greater Toledo
- Toledo Public Schools
- Washington Local Schools





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Getting the right people in the room.

Key Individual Leaders

- Working Group Pre-K
- Task Force Promise





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Expert Consultancy

- Linda Dunphy
- Andrew Brodsky (data)
- Statewide Pre-K programs
- College Promise
- Various Promise programs





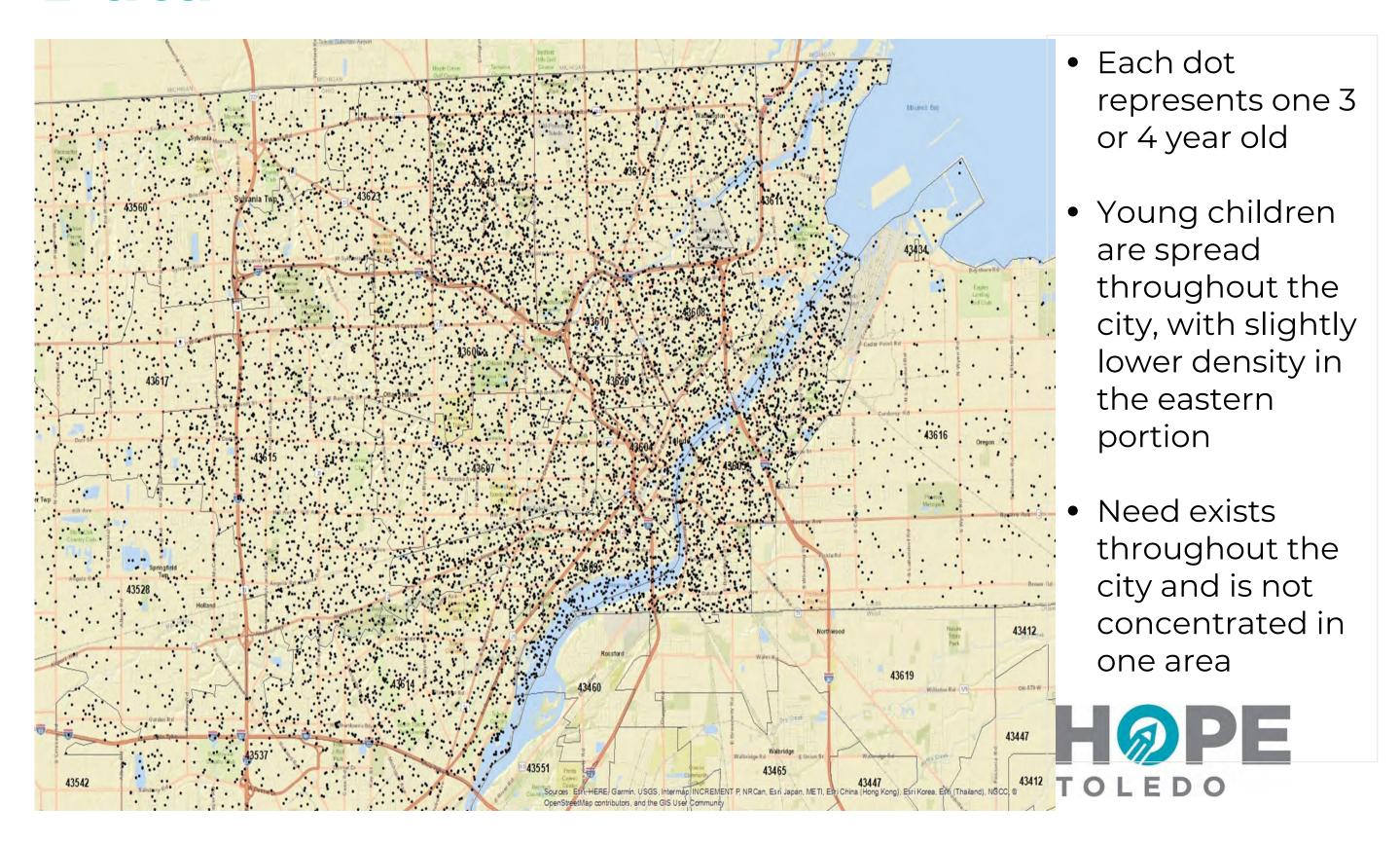
Community Assessments/Research

- Lucas County Healthy Lucas County
- Greater Toledo Community Foundation
- Head Start/Early Head Start (TPS and Lucas County Family Council)
- National reports (i.e. NAEYC, NIEER, Etc.)
- Polling data
- Statewide data

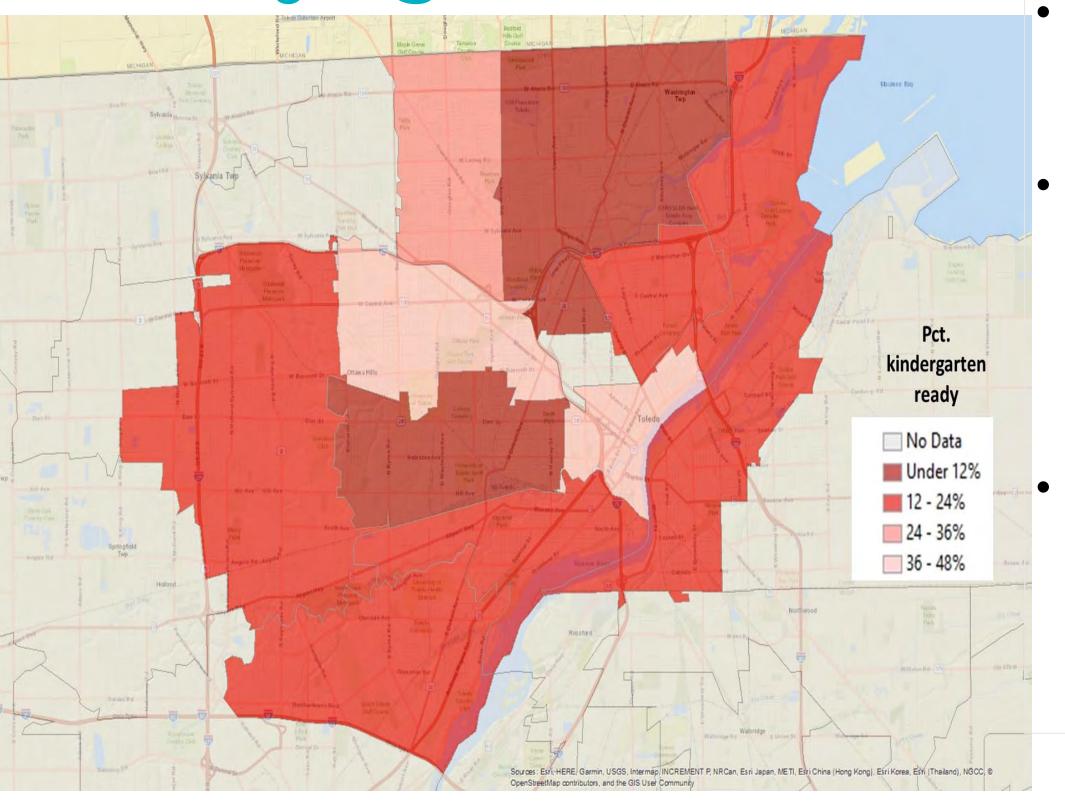


2 Process Rooted in data and analytics.

Data







- Darker areas indicate lower scores/higher need
- While downtown area has high poverty rates, the TPS preschool there has higher KRA scores
- Need exists across the county, providing more justification for citywide approach



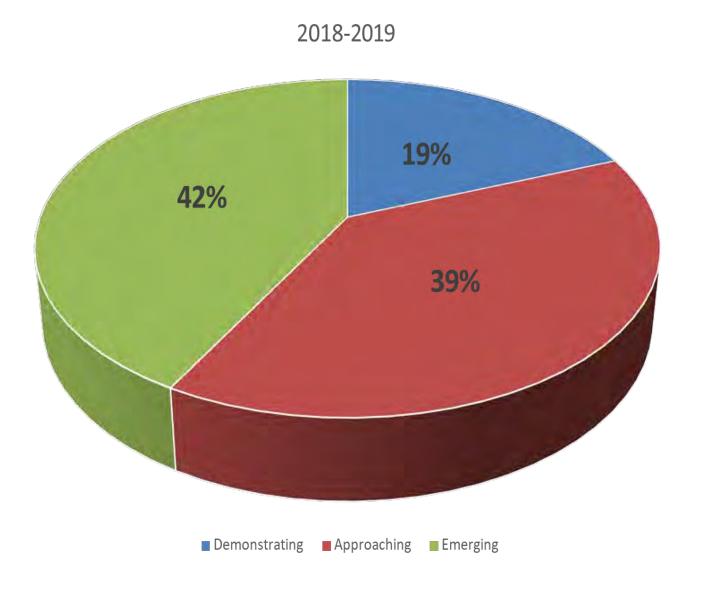


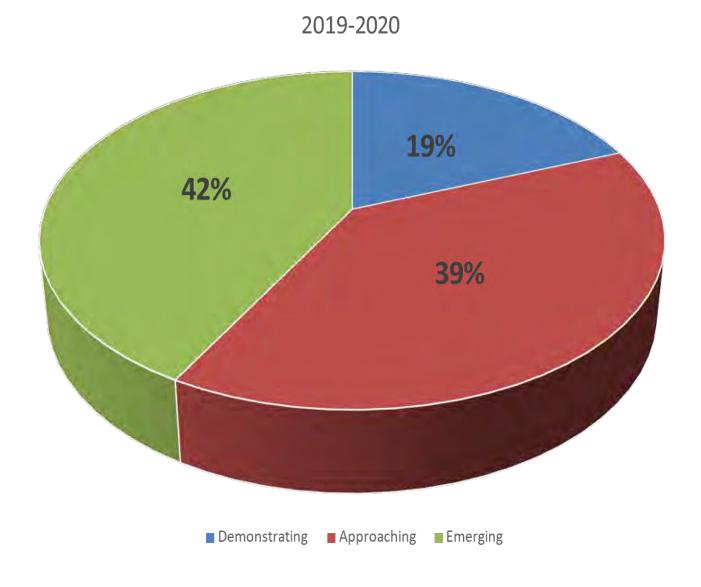
What is KRA?

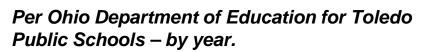
- Kindergarten Readiness Assessment
 - 1. **Demonstrating** (270-298) possessing sufficient skills, knowledge and abilities to engage in kindergarten-level instruction
 - 2. **Approaching** (258-269) needed supports to engage in kindergarten-level instruction
 - 3. **Emerging** (202-257) needed significant supports to engage in kindergarten-level instruction





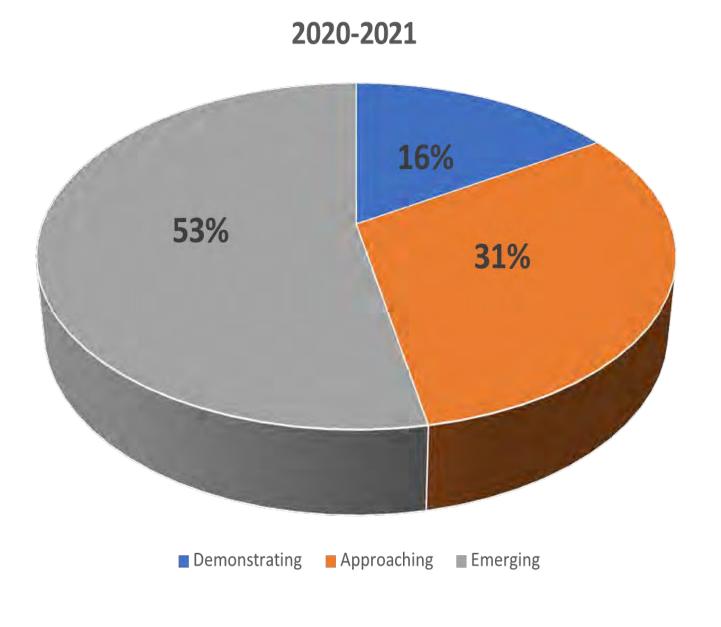


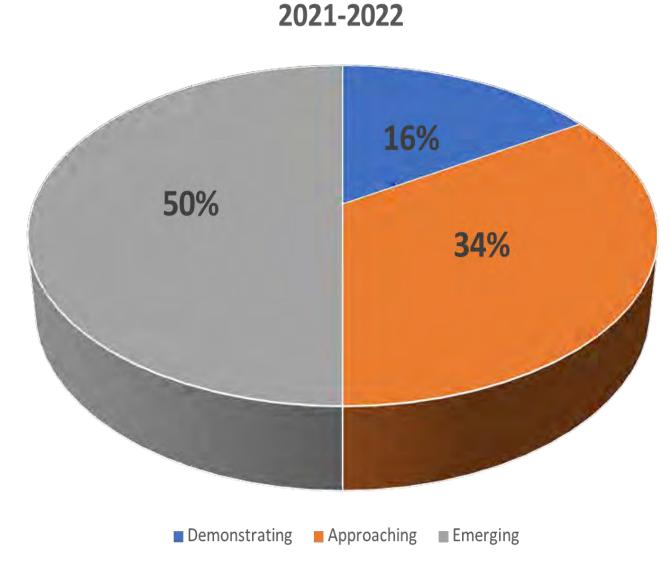








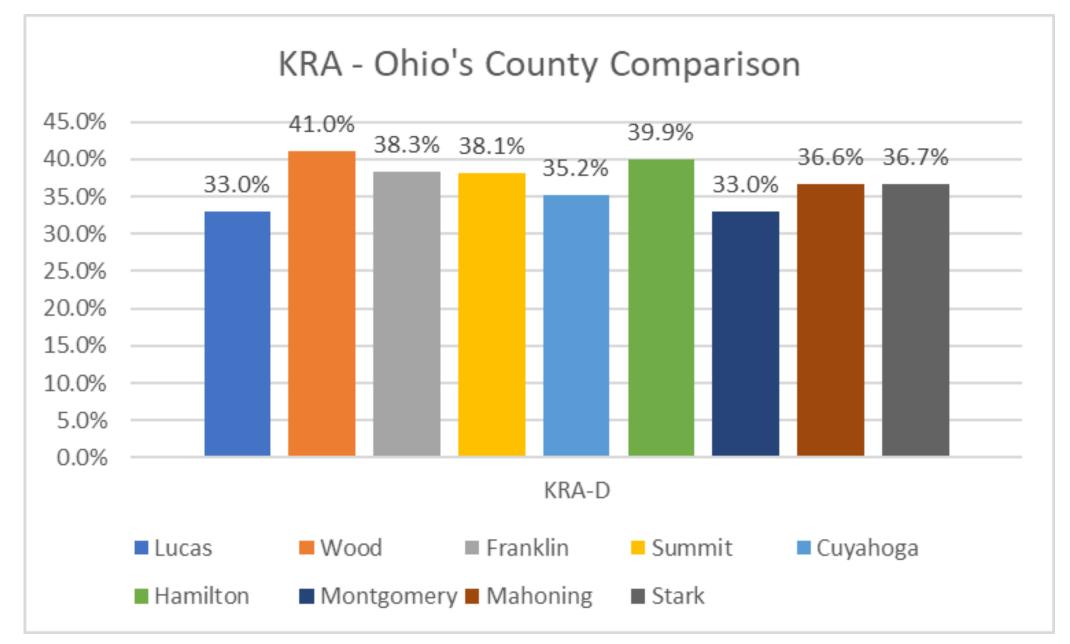








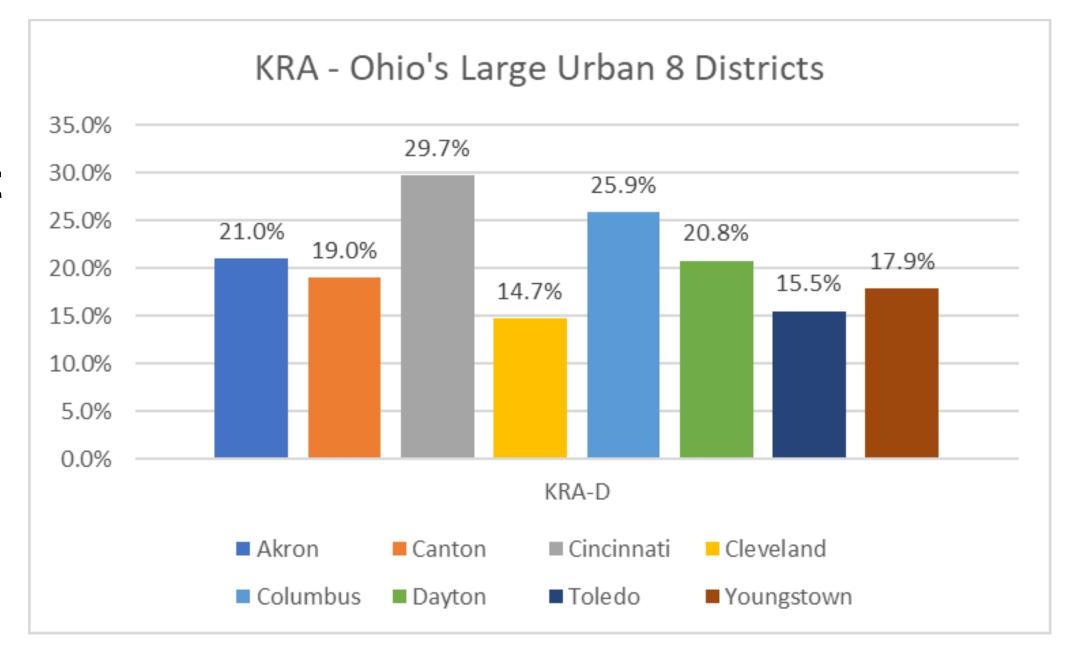
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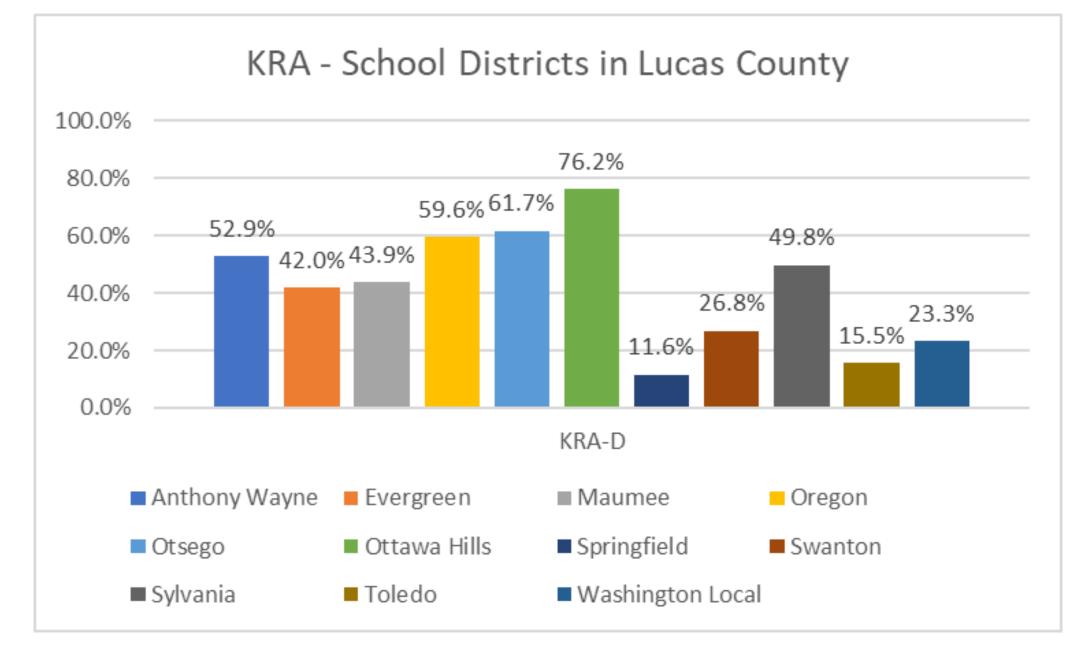
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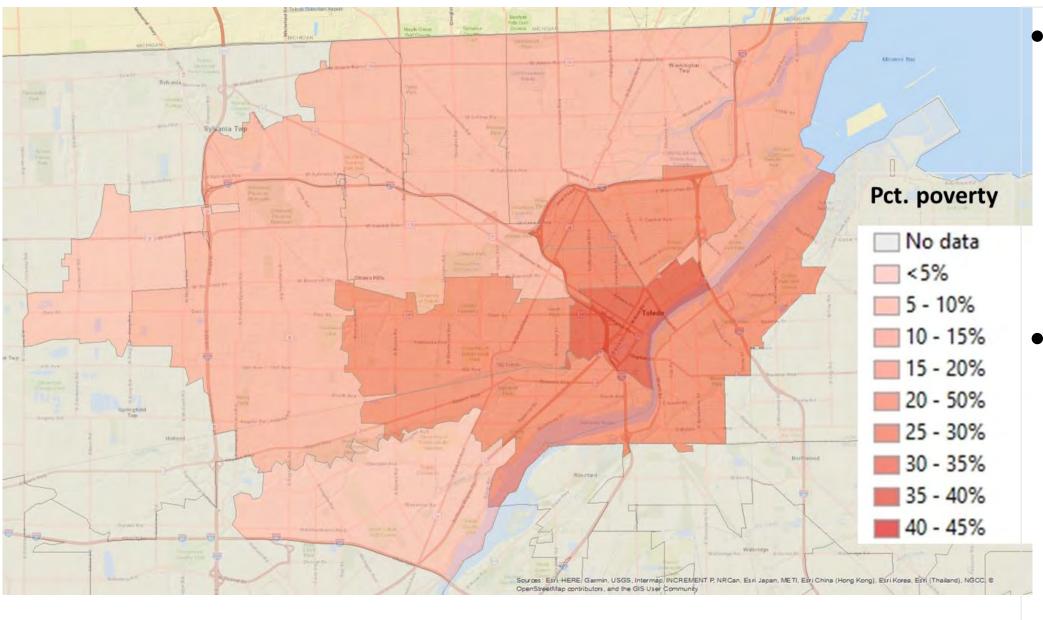
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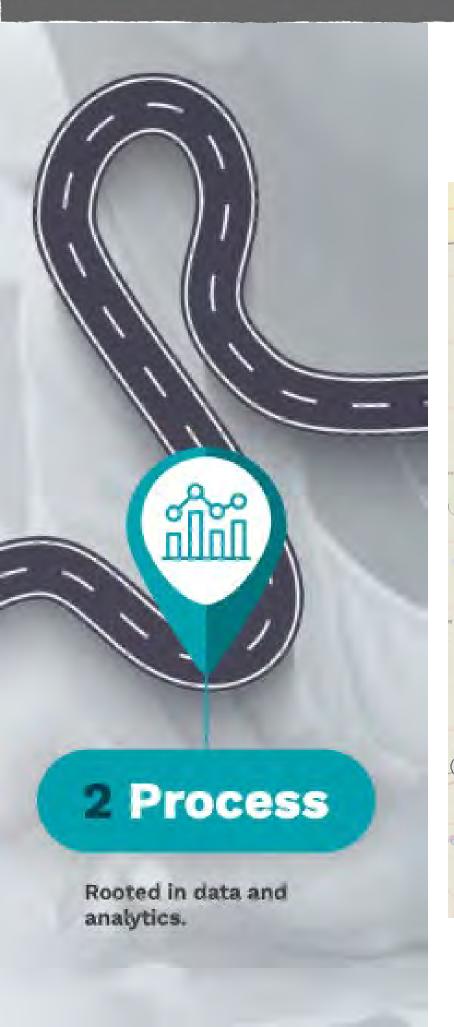


Identifying the Need – Child Poverty

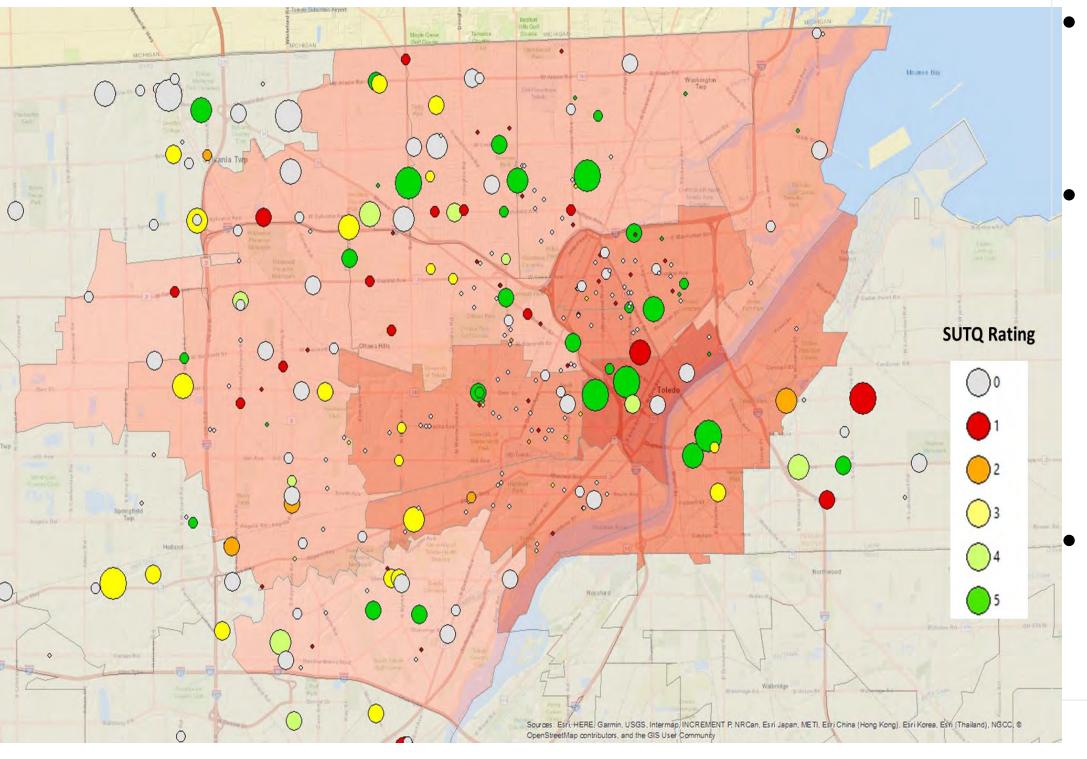


- Crime and poverty are higher in the downtown area, and lower to the west and northwest
- The overall poverty rate for families with young children is nearly 40%





Identifying the Need – Availability



- Larger circles indicate greater licensed capacity
- The highest-need area near downtown also has a concentration of high quality providers
- The greatest need for quality providers is in the east/southeast





Identifying the need – Third Grade Reading Guarantee

9500

Of Ohio's eligible 3rd graders met the minimum promotion level

66%

Of Ohio's eligible 3rd graders tested at the "proficient" or higher level





Identifying the Need -**Graduation Rates**

75% TPS 4-year graduation rate

85% TPS 5-year graduation rate





Identifying the Need – Attainment and Employment

20%

Fewer than 20% of adults in Toledo possess a postsecondary degree

70%

Approximately 70% of job openings in USA will require some type of postsecondary credential

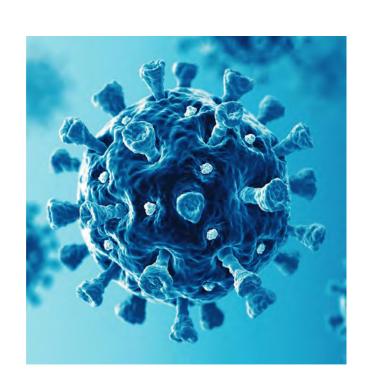




Implementation

Impact of COVID-19

- Overall health
- Mental health & well-being
- Access



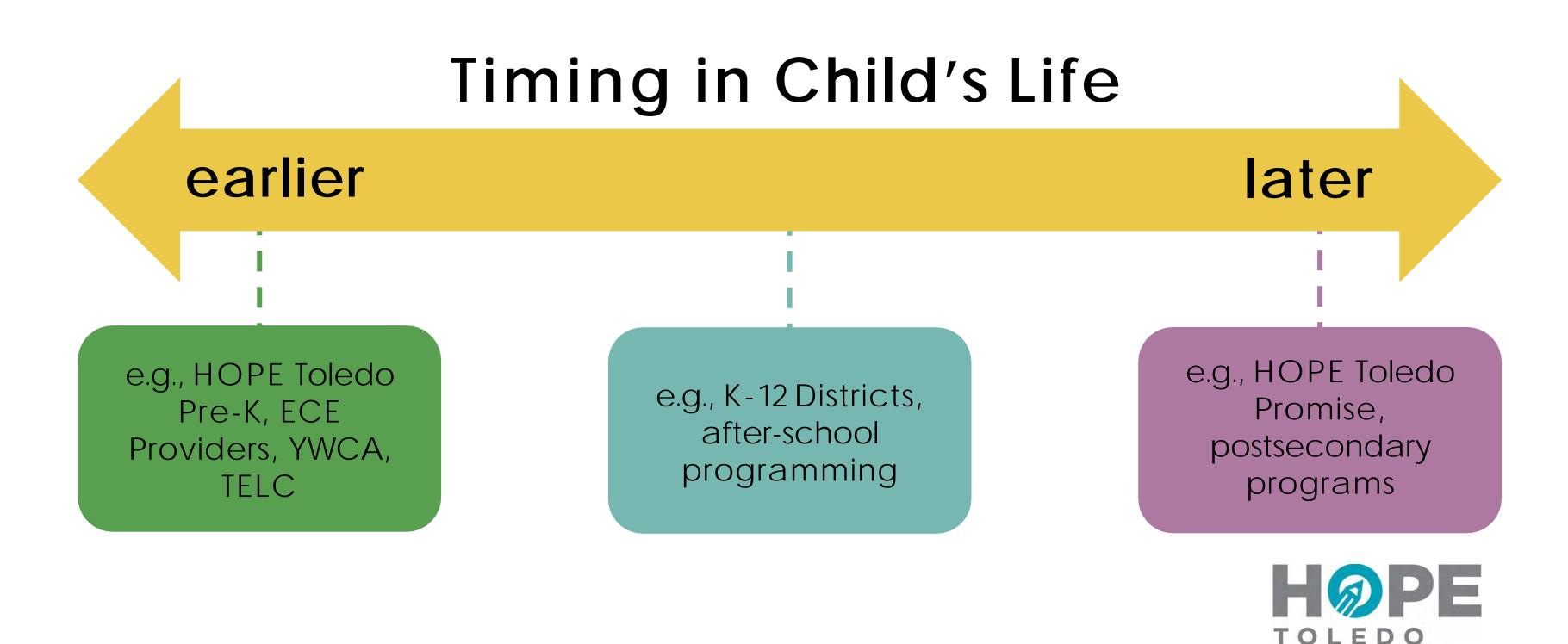


Educational Continuum Solutions





Continuum of Educational Investments





HOPE Toledo Pre-K

A Comprehensive, Community-Based Approach to Early Childcare and Education in Toledo





GOAL

Ensure kindergarten readiness and subsequent successful school performance of Toledo children







5 HOPE

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and subsequent school
performance. Simply
put, more of our children
will enter kindergarten
ready to learn.

An Overarching Vision

- All children have the right to equitable learning opportunities that help them achieve their full potential as engaged learners and valued members of society.
- Provide high-quality early learning services that demonstrate a commitment to equitable outcomes for all children.
- Uphold the unique value and dignity of each child and family.

From NAEYC's Advancing Equity in Early Childhood Education Position Statement





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- Maintain consistently high expectations for family involvement, being open to multiple and varied forms of engagement and providing intentional and responsive supports
- Increase financing for high-quality early learning services.
- Establish collaborative relationships with other social service agencies and providers within the community.



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Implementation – Pre-K Blueprint

- Reduced Ratios (1:10)
- Culturally relevant curriculum-rich programming (full day; full year)
- Teacher qualifications
- Teacher compensation
- Teacher development and coaching
- Parent and family engagement
- Business coaching, development and technical assistance (i.e – Shared Service)
- Pre-K to Kindergarten transition





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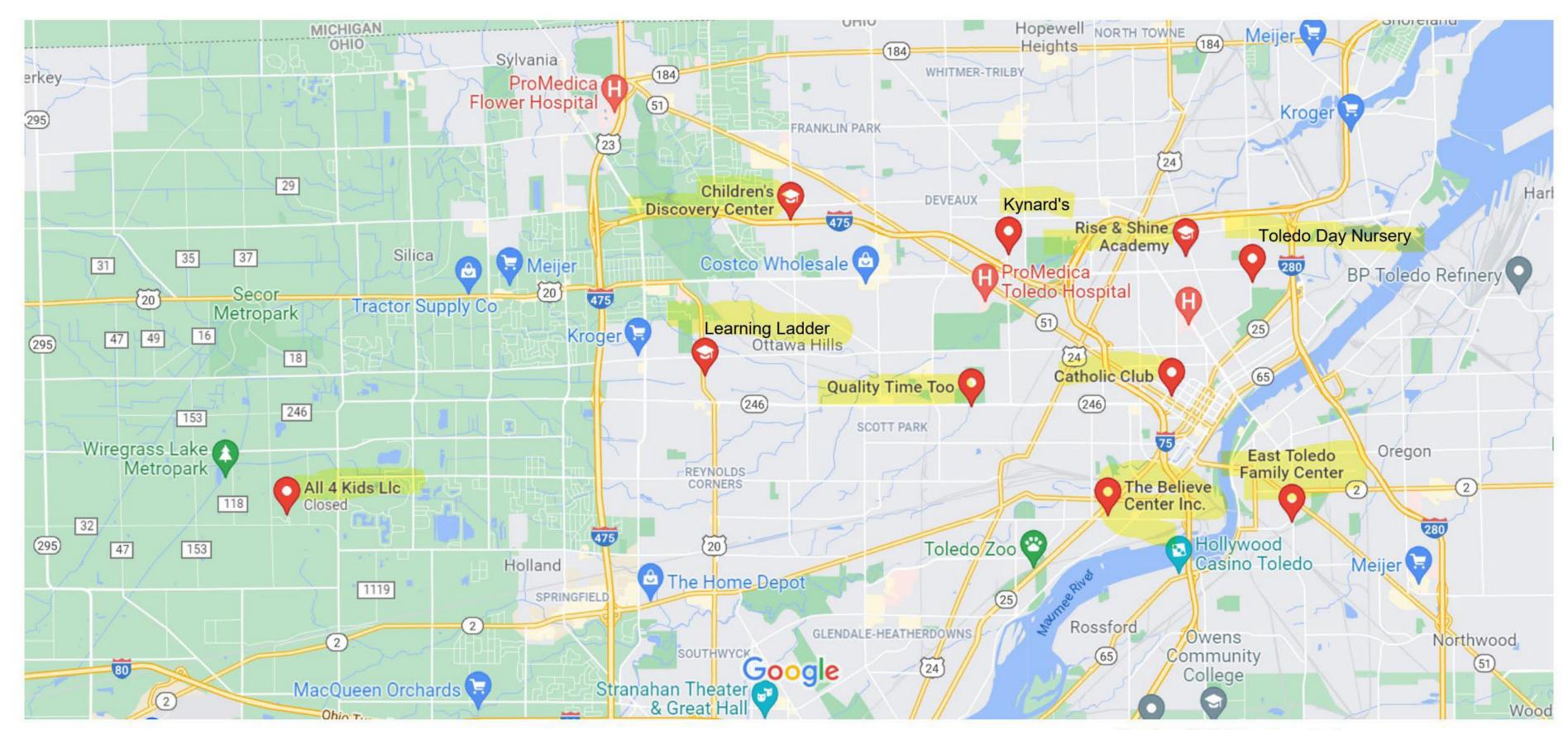
HOPE Toledo Pre-K Demonstration Project – Year 1

- Engaged ten (10) Partner Childcare providers (see map)
- Served 225 children (unduplicated) during the 2021 – 2022 school year
- Primarily served 4-year-olds, with highest sustained enrollment of 179 children (Mar – May)
- Total funding to Providers in excess of \$885,000 in the form of tuition scholarships for families





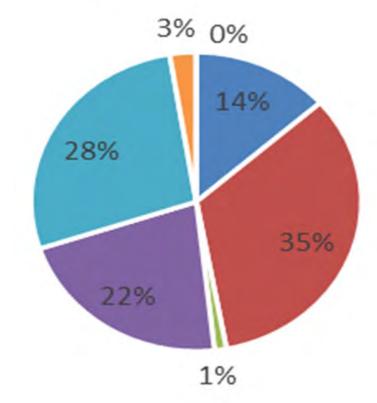
HOPE Pre-K Demonstration Year 1 – 2021-2022



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Eligibility Categories and Percentages

- ODE & PFCC FT/PT
- ODE Only
- PFCC PT
- PFCC FT
- Private Pay, 0-130% FPL
- Private Pay, 131-300% FPL
- Private Pay, >300% FPL







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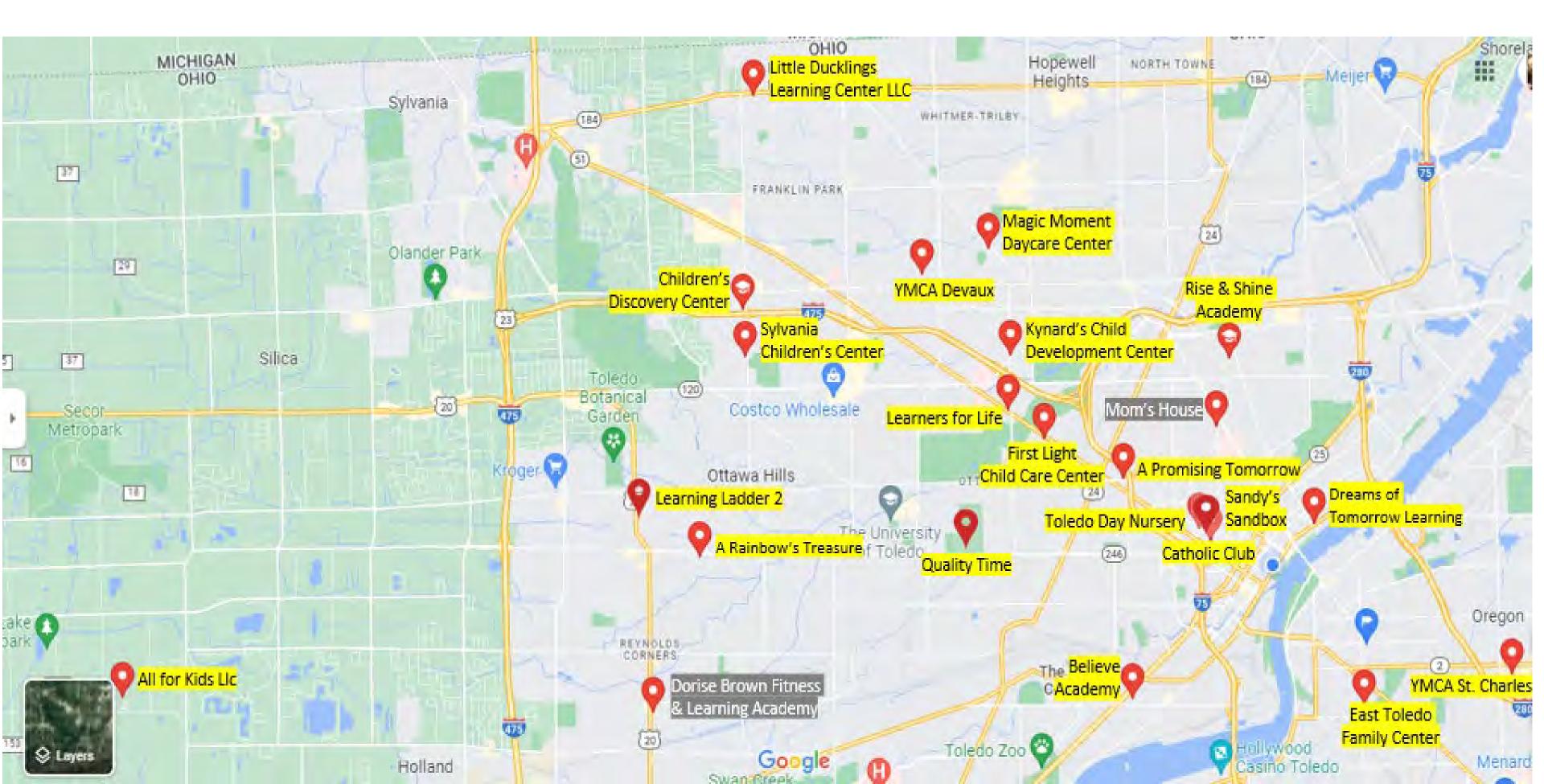
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HOPE Toledo Pre-K Demonstration Project – Year 2

- Re-engaged ten (10) Partner Childcare providers and added ten(10) new Partners (see map)
- Established goal to serve 300 children (unduplicated) during the 2022 2023 school year
- Focus will remain primarily to serve 4-year-olds, with initial recruitment number at 210 prior to start of school year (Sept. 1st)
- Total projected funding to Providers in excess of \$1,750,000 in the form of tuition scholarships for families

HOPE Pre-K Demonstration - Year 2



Implementation – Shared Services

NWO Shared Service Alliance

- Collaboration between YWCA CCR&R, Toledo Early Learning Coalition and HOPE Toledo, funded by GTCF for 3 years.
- Provide various resources (i.e. back office, technical assistance, business services, sub pool, etc.)





Strategic use of Automation is crucial top provider sustainability and a huge opportunity for better matching of supply + demand









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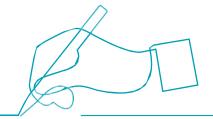
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Shared Service: "Iron Triangle"

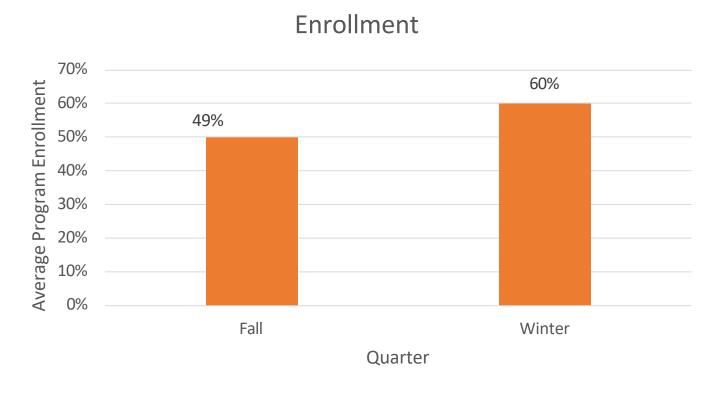
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- Collect tuition and fees in full and on time
- Revenue covers per child costs (tuition, fees + 3rd party funding)



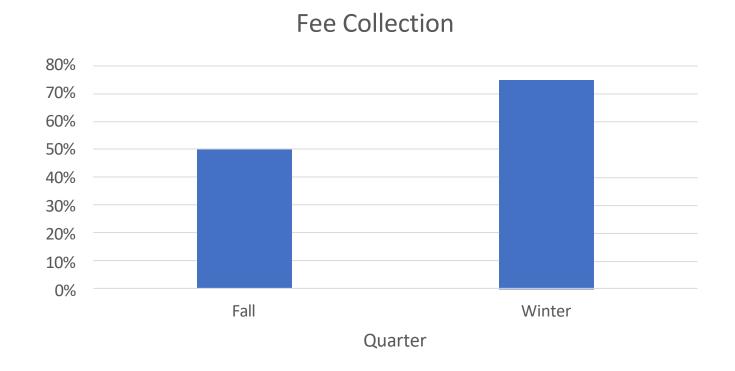




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Industry standard is 5% uncollectible

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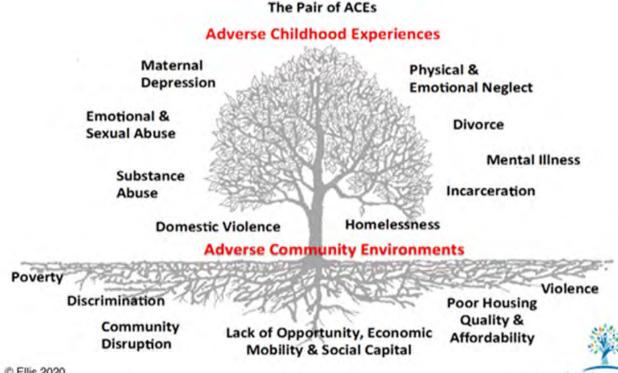


HOPE Toledo Pre-K helps improve school readiness outcomes and subsequent school performance. Simply put, more of our children will enter kindergarten ready to learn.

Implementation - Mental Health

ACEs:

- Adverse Childhood Experiences are potentially traumatic events that occur before a child reaches the age of 18.
- ACEs can follow an intergenerational pattern. According to a CDC and Kaiser Permanente study, there is a link between ACEs and a higher likelihood of negative health and behavior outcomes.





HOPE Toledo Promise





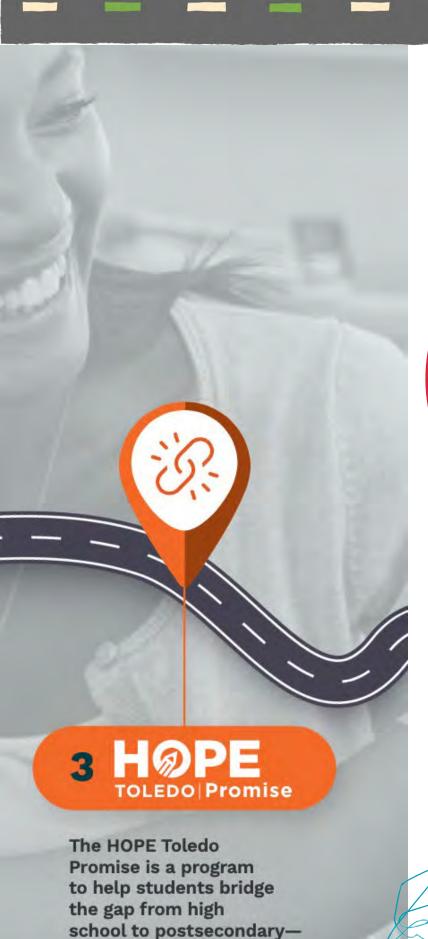


GOAL

To provide our students and families with multi-generational access to postsecondary education resulting in better prepared individuals for both the workforce and the community.







community college,

university, or trade schools.

Implementation - Promise

Addresses the critical financial barrier to college enrollment

Takes a familycentered approach to economic mobility

Puts youth and families at the center of choosing an educational path







Shared Principles of Practice

Equity First



Engage families in historically marginalized communities

Scholarship Funding + Supports



Additional wraparound supports are needed too (financial, psychological, and instrumental)

Family-Centered Approach



Youth cannot be the sole agent of change in their family; change happens over the life course

Education + Careers = Economic Mobility



Education tied to careers leads to family-sustaining wages

Many College Promise Programs are Designed to Support Youth and Adults

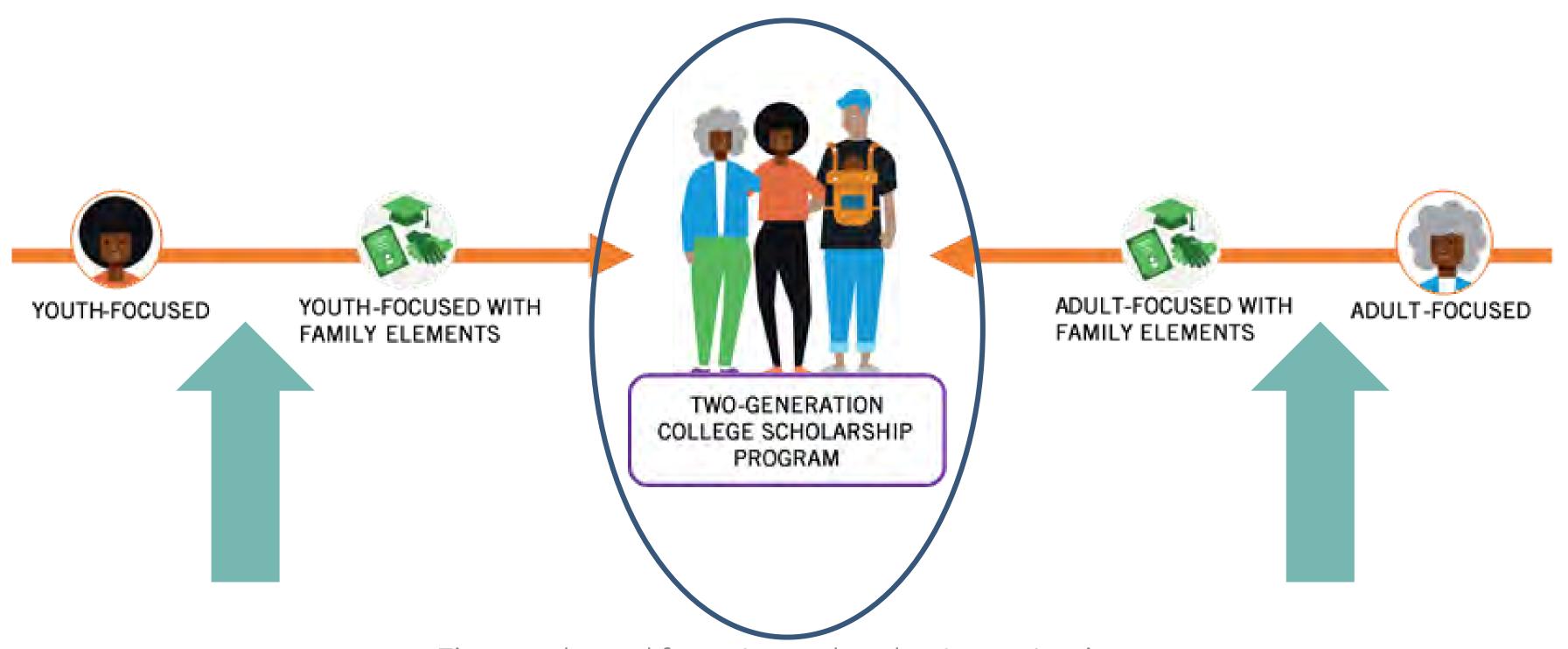
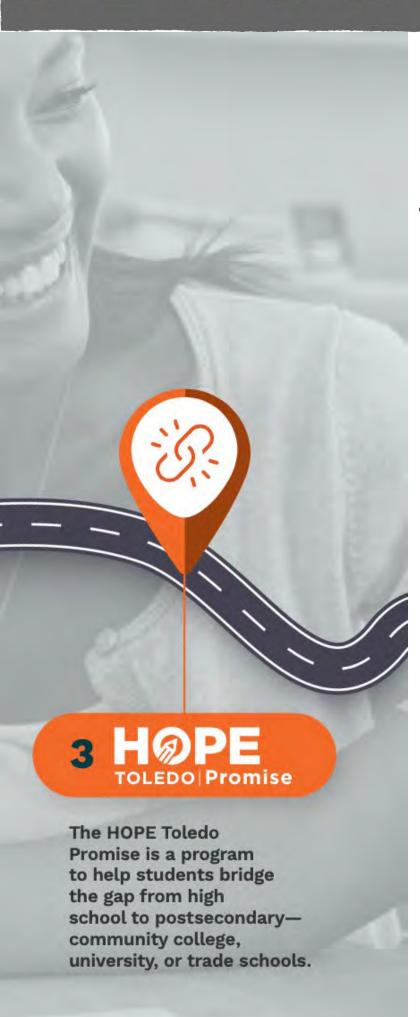


Figure adapted from Ascend at the Aspen Institute (https://ascend.aspeninstitute.org/resources/making-tomorrow-better-together)



Implementation - Promise

The PROMISE entered – Why Scott?

Student capacity = 2300

Current enrollment = 600

Free & reduced lunch = 98%

"Heartbeat" of the Black Community

The PROMISE explained - Responsibility

- Desire to change the inequities within education ("Cradle to Career")
- Focus on postsecondary & two generational approach
- Covers tuition, room, board, books and fees to in-state, publicly funded school/program

The **PROMISE** executed – C/O 2020, 21, 22

- Graduating Class = 307
- HOPE Scholars = 179
- Participating schools = 17
- HOPE Scholars (parents) = 55
- Provided laptops for each Scholar



























Avg. grad. class size over past 5 years = 100





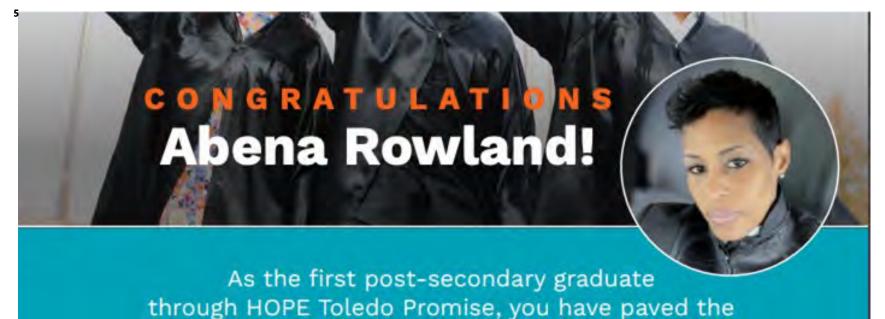






Implementation - Promise

Post-Secondary Access Two-Generation Approach



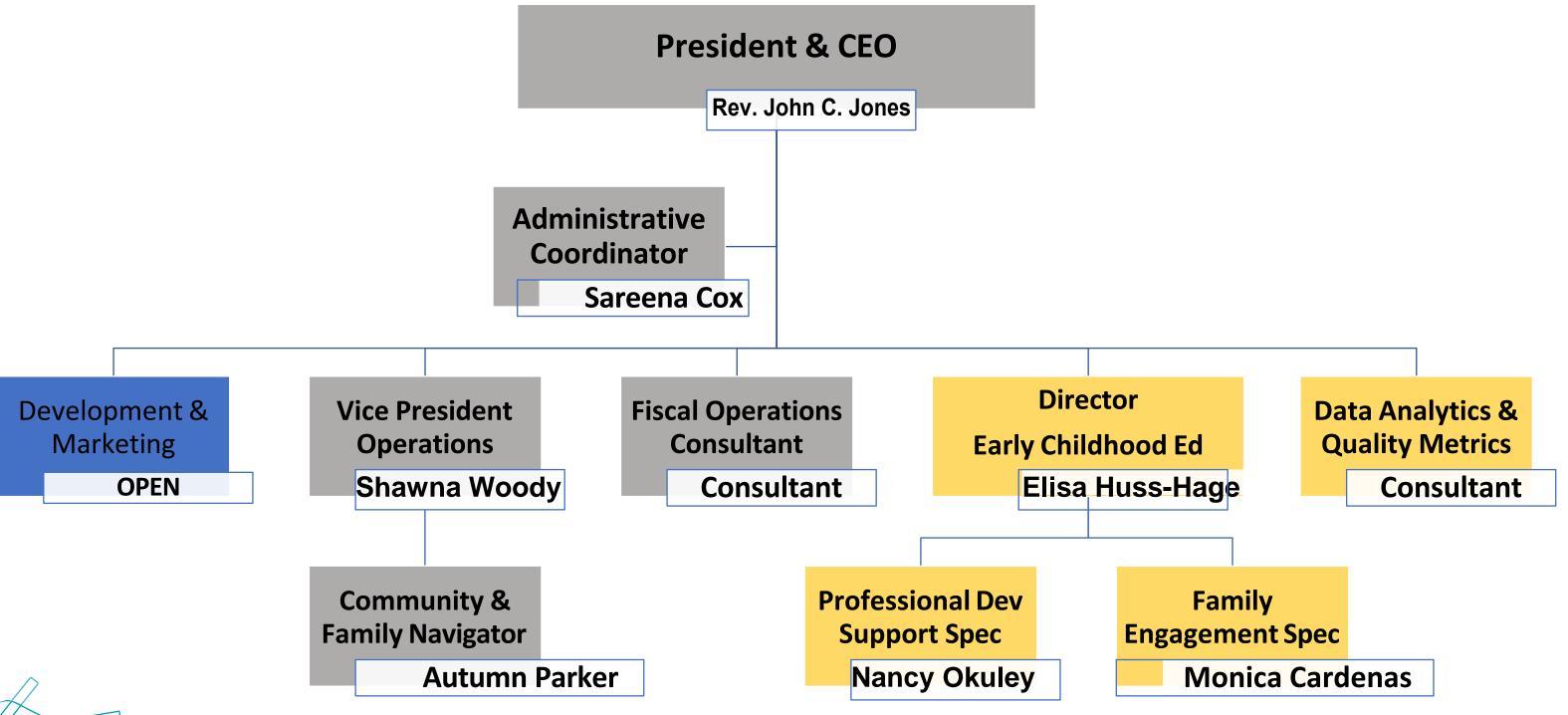
We can't wait to watch you soar.

way and made us all very proud.





HOPE Toledo Organizational Chart







4 Community **Dedicated community** awareness campaign.

Funding the Work





















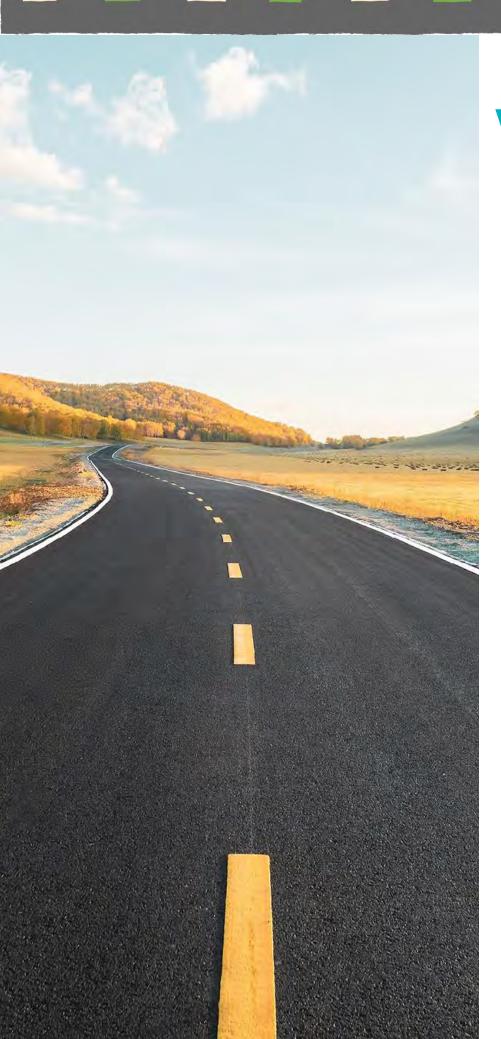




The Road Forward

- 1. Ensuring long-term sustainable funding
- 2. Measuring the impact on community
 - Local
 - Regional
 - National





What's Next?

- Agenda for advocacy and public policy
- Grow network of supporters and stakeholders
- Establish strong and cohesive Birth to Five Consortium
- Identify pathway to long-term sustainable funding for preschool





Looking toward the FUTURE



Transform educational landscape in the country



RECAP & Questions?





Thank you!



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