

**CCR&R Advisory Committee Meeting  
AGENDA**

*Quorum (50%) = 6 (Total Board Members = 12)*

Thursday, November 13, 2025  
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

**Charles Morris Conference Room**

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- I. **Welcome, Determination of Quorum, & Call to Order – Wanda Wesley, Co-Chair**
- II. **Approval of Minutes**
  - A. June 5, 2025\*
  - B. September 11, 2025\*
- III. **President’s Report – Mary Sonnenberg, President**
- IV. **Financial Updates – Carole Mangum, Grants Manager**
- V. **Neurodivergent Children Resource & Support Group Discussion – Julanda Jett, Vice President of Programs**
  - A. Ways to grow workgroup
- VI. **Family Engagement – Julanda Jett, Vice President of Programs**
  - A. Increase family involvement
  - B. Explore Strategies
- VII. **Department Report & Matters for Discussion – Julanda Jett, Vice President of Programs**
  - A. Committee Membership
    - Commitment & Expectations
  - B. Department Updates:
    - Workforce Development Program
    - New Staff:
      - Ever Aranda, NC Pre-K Program Specialist
      - Alisha Bradshaw, NC Pre-K Caseworker
    - Open Position:
      - Early Literacy & Play Coordinator
  - C. Cumberland County Literacy Council
  - D. SOAR Community Coalition – **Wanda Wesley**

**VIII. Division Reports –**

**A. Family Services**

- **NC Pre-K – Ar-Nita Davis, Programs Manager**
- **Consumer Education & Referral – Sheila Rowe, Program Manager**

**B. Provider Services – Sheila Rowe, Program Manager**

- Kaleidoscope
- Technical Assistance & Trainings
- Region 5 (B3QI, HSB, School-Age, FCC)

**IX. Adjournment: Next Meeting is Thursday, February 12, 2026 at 9:00 am (in-person & hybrid)**

**\* Action Item**



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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Darlisha Warren, Cathy Everett, Iris Pierce, Wanda Wesley, Katherine (Katie) Lada, Sherail Monroe, & Dr. Rondell Bennett  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Angela Crosby, Desheka Williams, Patricia Eaton, Dr. Alexia Blue-Wilson, Tre’vone McNeill, Christopher Williams, & Pretoria Pittman  
**NON-VOTING ATTENDEES:** Mary Sonnenberg, Julanda Jett, Tamiko Colvin, Ar-Nita Davis, Sheila Rowe, Carole Mangum, Mary Welch, & Marie Lilly

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION & RECOMMENDATION	ACTION	FOLLOW-UP
I. Call to Order	Darlisha Warren, Chair, welcomed all attendees, determined that a quorum was met and called the meeting to order. The scheduled meeting of the CCR&R Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, June 5, 2025 and beginning at 9:00 am pursuant to prior written notice to each committee member. Tamiko Colvin was Secretary for the meeting and recorded the minutes.	Called to Order	None
II. Approval of Meeting Minutes	The minutes of the February 13, 2025 scheduled meeting were previously distributed and reviewed by the committee members. The Chair asked for corrections. Hearing none, the committee consented and the minutes were approved.  Wanda Wesley and Iris Pierce motioned and approved.	Approved	None
III. President’s Report	Mary Sonnenberg, President, provided an overview of the Partnership’s President Report (report provided).	None	None
IV. Financial Updates	Carole Mangum, Grants Manager, provided an overview of the Financial Report for the Programs Department (report provided).	None	None
V. Neurodivergent Children Resources & Support Update	Julanda Jett, Vice President of Programs, expressed the need to have various organizations from the community be represented in the workgroup.  The workgroup has been scheduled to meet for Tuesday, June 17 <sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am in Conference Room B.  Iris Pierce, Sherail Monroe, Dr. Rondell Bennett, & Cathy Everett will join the workgroup.	None	None



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<p>VI. Department Reporting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. FY 25-26 – will members remain on committee</li> <li>B. Department Updates</li> <li>C. SOAR Community Coalition</li> </ul>	<p>Julanda Jett, Vice President of Programs, provided a report for the Programs Department. The report included the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Will members remain on the Committee for FY25-26: The following members stated they will remain. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Darlisha Warren</li> <li>○ Wanda Wesley</li> <li>○ Iris Pierce</li> <li>○ Sherail Monroe</li> <li>○ Dr. Rondell Bennett</li> <li>○ Cathy Everett</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Tamiko will send an email to the absent members for their interest for the committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B. Department Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Workforce Development: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Information session scheduled for June 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am with participants &amp; mentors programs</li> <li>○ Dr. Rondell Bennett provided information on workforce courses that FTCC provides.</li> <li>○ Programs must register with the NC Works.</li> <li>○ Prior to, participants must complete criminal and fingerprint background checks and TB testing.</li> <li>○ Currently have 12 participants</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>C. SOAR Community Coalition – Wanda Wesley provided the meaning of S.O.A.R. acronym (Strengths in Overcoming Adversity thru Resiliency) and an overview the organization’s mission to bring awareness to the community. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Additional participants are welcomed. Several committee members would like to join &amp; receive invites and information. Julanda will email Faith names and contact information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Iris Pierce</li> <li>○ Cathy Everett</li> <li>○ Sherail Monroe</li> <li>○ Dr. Rondell Bennett</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>None</p>	<p>None</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SOAR meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at the Child Advocacy Center at 3:00 pm (222 Rowan Street).</li> <li>• Protective Factor Schedule for coastal providers: June 11<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Parent Café – scheduled for the summer.</li> </ul>		
<p>VII. Division Updates</p> <p>A. Family Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NC Pre-K</li> <li>• Consumer Education &amp; Referral</li> </ul> <p>B. Provider Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kaleidoscope &amp; Library</li> <li>• Technical Assistance &amp; Training</li> <li>• Consumer Education &amp; referral</li> <li>• Region 5 (B3QI, FCC, HSB, &amp; School-Age)</li> </ul>	<p>A. Family Services:</p> <p>Ar-Nita Davis, Program Manager, gave the updates for NC Pre-K (report provided):</p> <p>2024-2025 SY Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• End of School Year is May 23, 2025</li> <li>• DCDEE Extensions Request for Teachers/Teachers Assistants was approved.</li> <li>• 2024-2025 Transitions to Kindergarten celebrations</li> <li>• 2024-2025 County Plan and Kids Close Down (Roll Over) – June 30, 2025</li> </ul> <p>2025-2026 SY Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effective February 27, 2025, the site selection cycle has been extended from two to three years to provide greater stability to centers and families.</li> <li>• SchoolMint (enrollment):             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Received 1673 applications</li> <li>○ Placed: 306</li> <li>○ Waitlist: 979</li> </ul> </li> <li>• NC Pre-K Provider Training:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 2025-2026 Annual Pre-K Conference has been postponed</li> <li>○ Ages &amp; Stages Training for teachers &amp; administrators - June</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Meetings:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ DCDEE NC Pre-K, Collaboration meetings with Head Start and Cumberland Schools</li> <li>○ One Continuum Community</li> <li>○ NC Pre-K Monthly Site Administrators Monthly Meetings</li> <li>○ DCDEE Closeout Statewide Meeting</li> <li>○ NC Pre-K Monthly Café Meeting</li> <li>○ C.O.L.O.R.S</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Events:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Cumberland County Department of Public Health – Fun in the Sun</li> </ul> </li> <li>• National Smart Start Conference: April 2025             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ar-Nita Davis &amp; Vivlica Rodgers presented.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	None	None



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Additional Information:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Closeout Administrators meeting will be held June 10<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 am</li></ul></li></ul> <p>Sheila Rowe, Program Manager, gave the updates for Consumer Education &amp; Referral:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Regional Caseworkers – Ebony Peterkin &amp; Makalia Stewart:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Participated in 35 outreach events</li><li>○ Provided 441 consultants</li><li>○ 370 referrals</li><li>○ 38 enhanced referrals to families in-person, via phone and online (attendance included military, homeless &amp; special needs)</li></ul></li><li>• Healthy Social Behavior (HSB) Coaches – Shakita Thompson &amp; Michelle Jones:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 210 site visits</li><li>○ 109 unduplicated providers in 61 childcare classrooms</li><li>○ Behavior related trainings</li></ul></li><li>• Birth to Three (B3QI) Specialists – Michelle Glacken &amp; Tonya McCall:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 190 site visits</li><li>○ 31 childcare programs</li><li>○ Trainings: Infant/Toddler Safe Sleep and SIDS Reduction in Childcare, and Infant/ToddlerZone</li></ul></li><li>• Regional Coach – Vianey Graham:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 140 site visits</li><li>○ 64 unduplicated providers</li><li>○ 18 childcare programs</li><li>○ Facilitated NC FELD &amp; BSAC trainings</li></ul></li><li>• Lead Coach – Mary Anders:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 84 site visits</li><li>○ 56 unduplicated providers</li><li>○ 37 childcare programs</li><li>○ Facilitated The School Age Connection and Admin Actions trainings</li></ul></li><li>• Family Child Care Consultant – Kathleen Hoffer:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 216 site visits</li><li>○ 32 FCCH programs</li><li>○ Certified in providing CPR/First-Aid trainings</li><li>○ Received funding to continue project</li></ul></li></ul>		
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	<p><b>B. Provider Services:</b> Mary Welch, Program Manager, provided the updates for Kaleidoscope &amp; Library, Technical Assistance, and Trainings (report provided).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Site Visits:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Supporting 45+ childcare facilities (centers &amp; Homes)</li></ul></li><li>• Lending Library:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ currently to the public.</li><li>○ Effective June 9<sup>th</sup> hours of operation changed to Monday – Thursday , 10:00 am to 4:00 pm (closed on Fridays)</li><li>○ New material/resources in circulation</li><li>○ Storytime – held on this Friday, hosted by Kathleen Hoffler, FCC Consultant</li><li>○ Collaborated with PBS Rootle Discovery Corner – awarded a bookshelf filled with children literacy games, books, hands-on learning materials, STEM activities, &amp; PBS KIDS materials, all centered around play-based learning.</li></ul></li><li>• Material Grant:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Awarded 15 programs (centers and homes) with over 50 classrooms being served.</li><li>○ All assessments completed.</li></ul></li><li>• Trainings:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ For Administration Actions that require additional TA from Coaches &amp; Specialists.</li><li>○ Continuous collaboration with the Cumberland County Health Consultants (CCHC), Nicole Richardson &amp; Auxilidora Grimes, with different sites.</li></ul></li><li>• Meetings/Outreach Opportunities:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Hosted Pinwheel planting April 2<sup>nd</sup> (4 facilities participated with 25 children)</li><li>○ Prevent Child Abuse – April 12<sup>th</sup></li></ul></li><li>• Upcoming Events:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Collaborative Conversations with DCDEE – June 12<sup>th</sup></li><li>○ Provider’s Appreciation: Refresh &amp; Renew – July 19<sup>th</sup> at FTCC</li><li>○ Quarterly Virtual Information Session – FY 25-26<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- August 21<sup>st</sup></li><li>- November 20<sup>th</sup></li><li>- February 19<sup>th</sup></li><li>- May 21<sup>st</sup></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>		
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training Calendar:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ FY 24-25                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Trainings are scheduled throughout June</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ FY 25-26                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Currently working on contracts for contractors</li> <li>- Trainings for July &amp; August, will be be staff conducted.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• Kaleidoscope Play &amp; Learn – meets three times a week. Registration is online.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Additional Facilitators trained in May 2025 (E. Peterkin &amp; M. Stewart)</li> <li>○ Providing indoor play groups twice a week:                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tuesdays (outdoors): 10:00 am at Clark Park</li> <li>- Thursdays (indoors): 9:30 am at Fascinate-U Children’s Museum and 2:00 pm in the Partnership Lending Library</li> <li>- All play groups are free. Currently recruiting families.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• Technical Assistance:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Coaches are closing different TA sites for FY24-25</li> <li>○ Currently recruiting for new programs for FY 25-26 with emphasis on the new QRIS Modernization process.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
VIII. Information	The next CCR&R Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for September 11, 2025 at 9:00 am.	None	None
IX. Adjournment	As there was no further business, the Chair noted the meeting adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 am.	Adjourned	None



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**Submittal:** The minutes of the above stated meeting are submitted for approval.

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Secretary for the Meeting Date

**Approval:** Based on committee consensus, the minutes of the above stated meeting are hereby approved as presented and/or corrected.

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Committee Chair Date

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<p><b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b> Darlisha Warren, Cathy Everett, Wanda Wesley, Katherine (Katie) Lada, &amp; Angela Crosby  <b>MEMBERS ABSENT:</b> Desheka Williams, Dr. Alexia Blue-Wilson, Tre’vone McNeill, Christopher Williams, Iris Pierce, Sherail Monroe &amp; Dr. Rondell Bennett  <b>NON-VOTING ATTENDEES:</b> Tamiko Colvin, Ar-Nita Davis, Sheila Rowe</p>			
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II. Approval of Meeting Minutes	The minutes of the June 5, 2025 scheduled meeting were previously distributed and reviewed by the committee members. Quorum was not met; therefore, minute were not approved.	none	None
III. President’s Report	Darlisha Warren, Chair, highlighted important dates and information from the report. (report provided).	None	None
IV. Neurodivergent Children Resources & Support Update	Ar-Nita Davis, NC Pre-K Program Manager, provided updates for the Neurodivergent workgroup.  The workgroup meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, October 1, 2025 at 10:00 am in Conference Room B.	None	None



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Provider Services Coaches:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Providing technical assistance, coaching, observations, consultations, and full ERS assessments in 20 childcare programs</li><li>○ Support for Administrative Actions through trainings and supplemental technical assistance</li></ul></li><li>• Healthy Social Behavior (HSB) Coaches – Shakita Thompson &amp; Michelle Jones:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Supported 16 Childcare programs</li><li>○ Facilitated 8 behavioral trainings</li><li>○ New training launched – Use Your Words: How Our Words Impact Children</li></ul></li><li>• Birth to Three (B3QI) Specialists – Michelle Glacken &amp; Tonya McCall:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 12 childcare programs</li><li>○ 5 Trainings: Infant/Toddler Safe Sleep and SIDS Reduction in Childcare, and Infant/ToddlerZone<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Currently creating a new training – YES Environment (in support of the an Administrative Action)</li></ul></li></ul></li><li>• Regional Coach – Vianey Graham (includes school-age):<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 6 childcare programs</li><li>○ Facilitated school-age trainings for primetime, NC FELD training for Workforce Development Program</li></ul></li><li>• Lead Coach – Mary Anders (includes school-age):<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 7 childcare programs</li><li>○ Facilitated Administrative Actions trainings and BSAC for Workforce Development Program</li></ul></li><li>• Family Child Care Consultant – Kathleen Hoffer:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 25 FCCH programs</li><li>○ Leading Leadership Academy for FCCHs</li><li>○ Facilitating trainings for Workforce Development Program</li></ul></li><li>• Meetings/Outreach Opportunities:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Little Land – Down on the Farm (Cumberland County Fair):<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- HSB, B3QI, Regional Coach, FCC, &amp; Coaches will provided activities</li></ul></li><li>○ Parents for Higher Education<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Fayetteville Technical Community College (FTCC)</li><li>- 17 participants</li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>		
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**President's Report**  
**NC Pre-K Committee and Board of Directors Meeting**  
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Thursday, October 30, 2025

**A. NCPC/DCDEE Updates / Legislative Updates**

**1. NCPC**

- This month's special stories are attached.
- NCPC Monitoring will occur November 12-13.
- We received our draft audit reports. These are being reviewed by senior level staff at CohnReznick. A few additional questions and test items have been sent. OMB has not released the 2025 Compliance Supplement yet. As a result, no single audits with June 30, 2025 can be issued per guidance from the OMB.

**2. DCDEE**

- **Region 5** contracting: CORE is executed. Subcontracts are in development. HSB and B3QI contract amendments have been executed. Payment for these activities is up to date.
- We have submitted requests to the CCR&R leads for additional funds for both special projects.
- The **RFAs for HSB and B3QI** have been released as well as the **RFA for Infant & Toddler Salary Supplements** (previously the AWARD\$ program).
- **NC Pre-K:** All providers are now in contract. DCDEE's process of evaluating requests for extension for Long Term Substitutes has not been released as of October 28. PFC Staff have gathered relevant information from providers who continue to have Long Term Substitutes in preparation for submitting extension requests.

**3. State Level**

- No state budget at this time.
- Child care wages continue to be down with an average of \$14/hour. NC is serving fewer children eligible for child care. Candace Witherspoon, Director of DCDEE, indicates that in August, there were twice as many closures of programs than new programs opening.
- DHHS decreases in Medicaid reimbursement rates went in to effect October 1<sup>st</sup>, with real-time impact starting in November.
- For state information: <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/federal-government-shutdown>.
- For details of the session and federal updates, refer to the NC Center for Nonprofits' October 24<sup>th</sup> Public Policy update. In addition, David Heinen provided information on the GoFundMe issue of creating pages for nonprofits without their knowledge or permission. We have determined that PFC was one of the nonprofits impacted and will act to address this according to guidance provided.

**4. Federal Level**

- The Federal Government remains shut down.
- WIC and SNAP funded through October. November benefits expected to be delayed or disrupted.
- ACA Healthcare costs increase November 1.

**5. Local Level**

- DSS and the Health Department as well as the County Commissioners have had meetings in the past few weeks regarding the impact of the Federal Shutdown on funding and services. All County services are operating and families should maintain their regular appointments. Resources are posted on the

County website. Those in need should continue to apply for services and benefits. EBA points for SNAP can carry over to the next month if not used. Funding is uncertain past November 1 for SNAP and WIC. Updates will be provided and posted as soon as they are available.

- Families can call 211 to find out about services. United Way of Cumberland County has provided information on the listings on the 211 site. The 211 flyer is attached.

#### B. Grant Opportunities/Updates/RFPs

- The Cumberland County Government contract for the Family Connects program, City of Fayetteville CDBG Grant for Building Renovations and the City of Fayetteville ARPA grant are all active. Requests for reimbursements and data requests are being managed by fiscal and programmatic staff.
- No word yet on the grant requests submitted to the Cannon Foundation and Golden *LEAF* for capital funding for Phase III of the Building project.

#### C. Staff Updates

- **Early Literacy and Play Coordinator and Communications & Digital Media Specialist – recruiting and interviewing.** If you are interested in or would like to refer a candidate for these full-time positions, please contact Anthony Ramos ([aramos@ccpfc.org](mailto:aramos@ccpfc.org)) for more information.
- **Welcome to Alisha Bradshaw, NC Pre-K Caseworker. Alicia will start Monday, November 3.** Alicia comes to us with a degree in Social Work and experience working with DSS and Head Start.
- **Farewells: Shakita Thompson, Healthy Social Behaviors Coach and Vianey Graham, Regional Coach.** Shakita joined our team in 2020 in the midst of the pandemic. She worked with child care providers to build nurturing and supportive environments for young children. Shakita’s last day will be October 31. She will be starting a new role in Sampson County, where she’ll work directly with families to help prevent out-of-home placements for children. Vianey joined our team in December 2023 as a Regional Coach and provided technical assistance and support to early childhood programs across a broad region that included Cumberland County. As part of her work, she developed a particular interest and skills in working with school-age programs. Vianey will be taking on a new role with Southwestern Child Development Commission as the NC School Age Initiative Eastern Territory Consultant. This new position matches Vianey’s passion for supporting school-age programs. Vianey’s last day will be November 7. We wish both of them the best as they pursue these new endeavors.
- **Staff Development Fundraiser: Hot Dog / Chili Plate Sale, October 30.** Thanks to everyone for making the fundraiser a success. Who doesn’t like hot dogs, chili AND desserts!

#### D. Events/Recognitions

- **Harvest and Heroes Family Event** was held October 23<sup>rd</sup>. It was a fun afternoon of activities and resource tables for children and families.
- **NC Pre-K Let’s Get Enrolled – Applications for the 2025-2026 school year are still being accepted.** Please share the URL: [LetsGetEnrolled.com](https://LetsGetEnrolled.com). Contact Ar-Nita Davis ([adavis@ccpfc.org](mailto:adavis@ccpfc.org)).
- **PFC United Way Campaign/Food and School Supply Drive** – Our campaign kicked off on September 24. We are proud supporters of United Way. **Please donate to the Food and School Supply drive** to support the community.
- **Grilled Cheese Festival** – November 15, 2025, at Dirtbag Ales. Ticket, vendor, and sponsorship information is available at [ccpfc.org/cheesy](https://ccpfc.org/cheesy). Table Tops (\$100) and Sponsorships (\$200) are still available. Share our event on social media AND purchase tickets!
- **Barnes and Noble Book Drive** – The dates for this year’s book drive are November 1 – December 15. We are thrilled to be recipients of the local store’s book drive.
- **Giving Tuesday:** We are proud to be part of the Cumberland Community Foundation’s Giving Tuesday event again this year. **Giving Tuesday donations are amplified through generous donors to the Cumberland Community Foundation. The time period for donations is November 24-December 2.** If you have questions, contact Daniele Malvesti-Petti ([dmalvesti@ccpfc.org](mailto:dmalvesti@ccpfc.org)).
- **Little Land 2026 – Save the date for March 14, 2026.** More details to come.

### **Lending Library/Consumer Education & Referral:**

While working in the library, I observed that every Tuesday, a grandmother would bring her 3-year-old granddaughter to play before the child's therapy session. Over time, I engaged her in conversation and learned that she is a widow who is actively helping her daughter raise her granddaughter. Recognizing a potential need for additional support, I gently inquired if she might be interested in any local community resources. She expressed openness to the idea, and I conducted a brief intake to better understand her situation. Based on her needs, I connected her with a Cumberland County organization that offers in-person supportive services specifically for grandparents in caregiving roles. Her first session is scheduled for **November 1st**, and she expressed gratitude for the referral. She also assured me she would follow up with me afterward, and I look forward to continuing that dialogue and supporting her as needed.

### **Kaleidoscope Play and Learn:**

This quarter we have had the pleasure of serving a mother of one-year-old twins. Attending her first playgroup, her initial expectation was for the playgroups to be an opportunity for her children to socialize. After a month of participation, she shared that not only have her twins formed new friendships within the group, but they have also experienced significant developmental milestones, progressing from crawling to walking. She also expressed that the program helped her come out of her shell, allowing her to build connections and plan weekend playdates with other caregivers. She thanked me for providing a safe and welcoming space for both herself and her twin boys.

### **Parents for Higher Education at FTCC:**

I was born and raised where going to school depends on if your parents or guardian can pay tuition for you to attend. From daycare to high school, if you cannot pay for tuition, you cannot get an education. For most people, they either drop out of school or start working to pay for school because their parents cannot afford to pay. Most of the time, the decision is having to choose between having a roof over your head or paying for tuition. In Jamaica, I've always pictured myself as someone studious and well put together, striving for success to make my mother proud. Not everyone has the luxury of having a community, a village, a strong support system to show up when everything is going wrong, and you need guidance. I am the product of parents that did go to school because they did not have the opportunity to get a proper education. Forward to 2010, during high school, my goal has always been to get an education and be the first in my family to graduate from college. In May 2022, I spoke to my mother about attending college, but I was hesitant about moving forward due to not having proper childcare or a support system. She was so proud when I told her I was accepted and I am moving forward with attending, but later that week, I couldn't imagine that she would be called home early by the Lord, and that would be our last conversation. As I am preparing to walk across the stage for graduation, I know that she will be proud. After receiving help with daycare, I am at ease to focus on my schoolwork and pay my bills, not surviving paycheck to paycheck, having to choose between debt and daycare fees.

As I mentioned, the crawl, the walk, and the run. I try to live by not having to make choices between my priorities (my children, bills, household, and miscellaneous). Before getting myself in a stable position before having kids, I was homeless, and I worked 3 jobs at a time just to pay bills, and one job paying for food and transportation. I was always asked the same questions why I didn't go to college after high school (I have to say I was envious of seeing everyone enjoying and graduating while I was sitting on a bus heading to one of my three jobs) but my response was too shameful or I should say I was ashamed to admit that I had to choose between working or furthering my education.

In the end, the choice is having a roof over my head, and I have worked hard, wondering when I will get the opportunity to go to college. This program has not only afforded me the opportunity to do so, but I am able to do so without worrying about what will happen when I don't have a support system to rely on. I can walk this spring and listen to my daughter telling everyone that her mother is graduating from college and when "she becomes a big adult like a real grownup," she's going to be like me. I have four children, three girls and a son, my greatest wish is to be able to show my children that breaking generational curses is possible and hard work does pay off.

A lot of people don't understand how relieving it is to have childcare, especially when you don't have a support system. You don't feel like the walls are closing in, you don't feel like you are stuck, you don't feel like you must stand still in the same place and not move forward with your life, your education. Nothing is more difficult, disheartening, and defeating than putting on a smile and pretending to be happy when you must choose between bills, daycare, or getting an education. - - -



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# PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN OF CUMBERLAND COUNTY, INC.

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY - WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

### Board Responsibility

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September 30, 2025

### ONLY THE HIGHLIGHTED ITEMS NEED TO BE DISCUSSED.

#### 1 Balance Sheet

- a. The cash balances; investments and liabilities are at the anticipated amounts and are sufficient for the current needs.
- b. Since all of our grants are now reimbursement-based, managing the monthly cashflow has become more critical than in the past.
- c. The County of Cumberland Family Connects grant is a reimbursement-based grant on a **quarterly basis** only.
- d. NCPC reminded the local partnerships that they are managing Smart Start cashflow differently for FY25-26.

"Historically all LPs received one and a half months' worth of the initial NCPC-LP contract amount (12.5%) as an initial advance. In recent years, NCPC would advance about one additional month's worth of the contract total each month going forward, which led to significant SS cash-on-hand for several LPs during the FY. Instead, NCPC intends to calculate monthly payments with greater consideration of LPs' reported expenditures and spending patterns. The initial advance provided in July will remain on hand with the LP for the time being to provide operational cashflow." [from NCPC's September 2025 Dollars & Sense Newsletter .]

#### 2 Smart Start Grant [State Funds]

- a. PFC's Smart Start grant budgets are reflected at 100% of full allocation effective July 1, 2025.
- b. The total allocation for FY25-26 at 100% is \$6,832,478, including DSS and WAGE\$.
- c. In July 2025, PFC reverted \$68,243.04 of unspent FY24-25 Smart Start Services funds to NCPC.  
PFC did not receive \$150,000 of FY24-25 funds from NCPC, and thus with the reverted funds of \$68,243.04, the total unspent is \$218,243.04.  
The maximum reversion cap for Cumberland is \$214,209, which is the anticipated amount to receive back during FY25-26.

#### 3 NC Pre-Kindergarten Grant [State and Federal Funds]

- a. PFC is in full contract with DCDEE effective July 1, 2025.
- b. The total FY25-26 contract is \$9,614,373 which consists of \$3,583,385 of federal funds and \$6,030,988 of state funds.
- c. The FY25-26 contract for NC Pre-K **administrative funds is \$17,113 less than FY24-25**, and the \$216,016 reduction from FY23-24 was not restored. The **Direct Services State funds were reduced by \$222,620 for FY25-26**.  
PFC is strategizing ways to sustain this funding stream due to the additional reductions in funding.
- d. Historically this distribution of state and federal funds is amended by DCDEE before or at yearend.
- e. In September 2025, PFC received the requested advance of 1/10th of the direct services grant. The amount was \$893,197.  
NC Pre-K providers with completed amendments and other requirements were paid in September 2025 for their August 2025 attendance.
- f. The single audit threshold increased from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000 effective October 1, 2024.
- g. Due to the amount of federal funds received, the Partnership **will be** audited extensively for fiscal responsibility and federal compliances, i.e. an A-133 audit since we plan to spend at least \$1,000,000 in federal funds for the fiscal year.

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4 Southwestern Child Development Commission, Inc. [SWCDC] - Region 5 Grants [Federal Funds]

- a. The **Region 5 Core** grant is in contract effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

The total grant amount is \$477,685.85 and the contract amendment was executed on August 11, 2025. There was no reduction from FY24-25.

An additional \$82,318.85 of unspent FY24-25 funds was added to the original budget amount of \$395,367 for FY25-26.

For FY25-26, the de minimus rate has increased from 10% to 15%; however, the increase in indirect funds is a result of a

decrease in direct services funds. Certain expenses such as Equipment Rental, is a direct expense that is unallowable for the 15% indirect calculation.

This grant will be bid out at the State level and PFC will await guidance if it will be renewed.

- b. The Region 5 **Birth to Three Quality [B3QI] Initiative** grant is **NOT** in contract, effective August 1, 2025 through January 31, 2026. [6 months]

The grant amount was previously projected to be \$51,291 for six months, down from \$166,977 for twelve months during FY24-25.

On September 12, 2025, SWCDC informed us that an additional \$11,600 of unspent FY24-25 funds will be added to the budget.

**The total budget will then be \$62,891. The contract amendment for \$62,891 has not been received from SWCDC as of October 7, 2025.**

**Requests for reimbursement of PFC paid expenses cannot occur until the amendment is received and executed.**

For FY25-26, the de minimus rate has increased from 10% to 15%; however, the increase in indirect funds is a result of a

decrease in direct services funds. Certain expenses such as Equipment Rental, is a direct expense that is unallowable for the 15% indirect calculation.

This grant will be bid out at the State level and PFC will await guidance if it will be renewed.

- c. The Region 5 **Healthy Social Behaviors [HSB]** grant is **NOT** in contract effective July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025. [6 months]

The grant amount was previously projected to be \$59,521 for six months, down from \$282,743 for twelve months during FY24-25.

In September 2025, SWCDC informed us that an additional \$21,852 [\$9,000 + \$12,852] of unspent FY24-25 funds **may** be added to the budget.

**The total budget will then be \$81,373. The contract amendment for \$59,521 has not been received from SWCDC as of October 7, 2025.**

**Requests for reimbursement of PFC paid expenses cannot occur until the amendment is received and executed.**

For FY25-26, the de minimus rate has increased from 10% to 15%; however, the increase in indirect funds is a result of a

decrease in direct services funds. Certain expenses such as Equipment Rental, is a direct expense that is unallowable for the 15% indirect calculation.

This grant will be bid out at the State level and PFC will await guidance if it will be renewed.

5 All Funding Sources

- a. The cash balance at month-end is as projected and is sufficient for the requirements of the upcoming month and through the projected yearend.

Because of funding changes and limitations, the cash balance is being monitored closer before expenditures are paid.

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**6 Unrestricted Revenues (USR) - Fund 208**

- a. The goal is to continue to use these funds only when other funding streams cannot be used or are not available.
- b. The funds and interest earned from the redeemed Lumbee Bank CD#6 were deposited into the PFC Bank of America operating account until a time when the funds can be transferred to the Morgan Stanley E-Trade account, as approved by Board in June 2025.
- c. The cash equivalent balances in Fund 208 consists of the following at the end of the month:

PNC Bank Money Market Account	5,645.37	<i>Does not include interest earned in Fund 899. Funds of \$96,563.69 were transferred from this account to the Operating Account for the construction loan payments.. Both the interest earned [\$32,117.79] and the cash balance [\$64,445.90] were affected.</i>
First Bank Money Market Account	100,000.00	<i>New account opened on November 27, 2023.</i>
Morgan Stanley E*TRADE Account	118,000.00	<i>Gains/Losses are not reflected in the financial statements</i>
	<b>223,645.37</b>	

<b>Interest Earned - Fund 899</b>	
PNC Bank Money Market	1,107.77
First Bank Money Market	5,650.03
	<b>6,757.80</b>

Investments - Fund 208	223,645.37
Interest Earned - Fund 899	6,757.80
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS PLUS INTEREST</b>	<b>230,403.17</b>

- d. There is currently NOT a **negative** balance in the operating funds portion of the USR funding stream for the current fiscal year. Funds of \$64,445.90 were transferred on June 23, 2025 from the PNC Money Market [Fund 208] for the construction loan payments. As expenditures are realized that are in excess of the current cash balance, Management will transfer additional funds as deemed necessary.

**7 Cash and In-kind Report**

- a. The 19% match requirement reflected on the monthly report is reflected at 100% of the full allocation, and **does** include the prior year reverted funds maximum amount [\$214,209].
- b. PFC's Leadership Team, staff and Board members will continue to discuss and implement strategies to meet our match requirement.
- c. PFC did not meet the 19% match requirement for FY2425, FY2324, FY2223, FY2122, FY2021, FY1920, FY1819, FY1718 nor for FY1617.
- d. Since the 19% required match was not met for the FY ended June 30, 2025, there will be no contribution to the PFC endowment.
- e. Income from **fundraisers** are to be reflected at the net amount only and after the event is over. Therefore, receipts from sponsors and donors will not be reported for Cash and In-kind purposes until such time.
- f. Income from the City of Fayetteville's federal ARPA grant for Family Connects and Workforce Development are allowable for Smart Start cash and in-kind purposes. The amount is anticipated to be up to \$344,615 for FY25-26.
- g. Income from the County of Cumberland's local government grant for Family Connects is allowable for Smart Start cash and in-kind purposes. The amount is anticipated to be \$300,000 for FY25-26.

## CCR&R Programs Updates

(These updates will be posted on the website by Tamiko before CCR&R Programs Committee Meeting)

**Submitted by:** Ar-Nita Davis (NC Pre-K Program Manager)

**Reporting Period:** August-November, 2025

<b>Program:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. PFC NC Pre-K Program Cumberland County</li><li>B. 2025-2026 School Year August 25, 2025-May 22, 2026</li><li>C. 2025-2026 NC Pre-K Progress October 31, 2025</li><li>D. 2025-2026 Cumberland County Allocation 1414</li><li>E. NC Pre-K Sites: 55</li><li>F. NC Pre-K Classrooms: 87</li></ul>
<b>Programmatic Updates: 2025-2026 sy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. SchoolMint (Enroll) Applications Received: 2290</li><li>B. NC Pre-K App System: Waitlist-219</li><li>C. NC Pre-K App System: Placed-1296 (Does Not Mean Served)</li><li>D. DCDEE Extensions Request for Teachers/Teacher Assistants</li><li>E. Reduction of NC Pre-K Sites unable to fill the requested allocation</li><li>F. 2025-2026 NC Pre-K Site Monitoring Tool (Site Visits)</li><li>G. Updated 2025-2026 NC Pre-K Program Requirements and Guidance_ REVISED October 2025/Summary of Changes</li><li>H. NC Pre-K Trainings:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Ages and Stages Training (June)</li><li>2. LETREs Fall Training</li><li>3. SchoolMint</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>NC Pre-K Personnel Updates: 2025-2026 sy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Open Positions: None Hired<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Program Specialist *Ever Aranda</li><li>2. Caseworker * Alisha Bradshaw</li></ul></li></ul>

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<p><b>Meetings/Outreach Events Attended:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. COLORS Meeting</li> <li>B. PFC Executive Meeting</li> <li>C. NC Pre-K Planning Committee/PFC Board Meeting</li> <li>D. PFC/DSS/CCHD Meeting</li> <li>E. Cumberland County Pre-K, Collaboration meetings with Head Start and Cumberland Schools,</li> <li>F. NC Pre-NC Pre-K Site Administrators Zoom Meetings (September &amp; October)</li> <li>G. DCDEE Café 'NC Pre-K Monthly Café Monthly Meeting.</li> <li>H. Racial Equity Workgroup</li> <li>I. TA Community of Practice</li> <li>J. Cumberland County's Collaborative Conversation</li> <li>K. Neurodivergent Workgroup</li> <li>L. DCDEE Transitions to Pre-K and Kindergarten Meeting (October)</li> <li>M. NC Pre-K PLC 2025-2026 1st Meeting (October 2025)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Professional Development opportunities attended or attended by the Team</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. State Pre-K Database Training</li> <li>B. Communicating the Relationship Between Place, Racism, and Early Childhood Development</li> <li>C. DCDEE Pathways ECERS3</li> </ul>
<p><b>Current and Upcoming Projects:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. NC Pre-K Site Administrators Monthly Meetings 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday (12:00 PM-2:00 PM) 2026/27 School Mint Collaboration Meeting, Tuesday, November 18, 2025</li> <li>B. 2026/27 Pre-K Timeline</li> <li>C. PFC Events: Kindness Awards – UPDATES &amp; Grilled Cheese Festival – November 15th</li> <li>D. NC Pre-K Site Administrators In-Person Meeting, November 20, 2025.</li> <li>E. PFC Executive Meeting, Thursday, November 20, 2025</li> </ul>

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	F. PFC Little Land March 14 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Additional Information:</b>	HARVEST & HEROES TOUCH THE TRUCK EVENT OCTOBER 23, 2025 <b>Great Community Event!</b>

CCR&R Programs Updates

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<b>Program:</b>	Provider Service Coaches and Region 5
<b>Site Visits:</b>	<p><b>PS Coaches-</b> Currently, PS Coaches are providing technical assistance, coaching, observations, consultations, and full ERS assessments in <b>23 childcare programs</b>. In addition to classroom-focused support, Coaches are delivering <b>intensive, director-specific technical assistance to four programs</b> and offering <b>Pathways to the Stars</b> support. Coaches are also assisting programs through <b>Administrative Action trainings</b> and providing <b>supplemental technical assistance</b> to strengthen overall program operations and quality outcomes.</p> <p><b>HSBs-Healthy Social Behavior Coaches-</b>Currently have 1-October 31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 73 site visits</li><li>• HSB continue facilitating behavior trainings.</li></ul> <p><b>Birth-To-Three-Birth To Three Specialist – will have 1 B-3 Specialist November 15</b></p> <p>Provided practice based coaching 15childcare programs, helping to enhance the quality of care and compliance with best practices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Infant/Toddler Safe Sleep &amp; SIDS Reduction in Child Care</li><li>• Creating a YES Environment (in support of an Administrative Action)</li></ul> <p><b>Regional Coach-</b>last day was November 7</p> <p>14-childcare programs regionally and facilitated a School-age training for Prime Time, facilitating Building Incredible Relationships and BSAC.</p> <p><b>Lead Coach-</b> 33-childcare programs regionally and facilitating Administrative Action trainings and the School-age Connection workgroup.</p> <p>The <b>Family Childcare Consultant (FCCH)</b> is currently providing <b>technical assistance, coaching, observations, consultations, 26 Family Childcare programs</b>. the Consultant is offering <b>Pathways to the Stars</b> guidance to assist providers in achieving higher quality ratings. The FCCH Consultant is also <b>leading the Leadership Academy for Family Childcare providers</b> and <b>facilitating Workforce Development trainings</b> focused on enhancing business practices, professional growth, and program quality within the Family Childcare network.</p> <p><b>Regional Caseworkers-</b>1<sup>st</sup> quarter Ebony Peterkin currently has provided 503 families with consumer resource and referral services and 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 59-children</p>

	and 37 parents participated in Kaleidoscope Play and Learn activities at Fascinate U and PFC.
<b>Meetings/Outreach Events Attended:</b>	Touch A Truck Event -Harvest & Heroes
<b>Professional Development opportunities attended or attended by Team:</b>	Coaches and TA staff are continuing professional development for QRIS Pathways
<b>Current and Upcoming Projects:</b>	Training Calendar for FY 25/26 Trainings scheduled through December. In the process of creating the January – June 26 calendar.
<b>Upcoming Events:</b>	
<b>Additional Updates:</b>	<p>Quarterly Information Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• November 20, 2025</li> <li>• February 19, 2025</li> <li>• May 21, 2025</li> </ul>