

# Illuminating Child Care: September 2020 - December 2022 Program Update



## Background & Overview

Launched in September 2020, the Illuminating Child Care Program began as a pilot project in the Denver metro area to address a critical need for child care services among parents and caregivers accessing behavioral health and family support services in Colorado.

Through the Illuminating Child Care program, Recreational Vehicles (RVs) are retrofitted into infant and toddler classrooms to provide safe, drop-in child care services on-site at behavioral health and family support facilities. Early Childhood Teachers engage young children in age-appropriate activities that promote social emotional development, providing a nurturing environment for children while their caregivers are accessing the services they need.



Over the past 2+ years, the Illuminating Child Care program has expanded to two additional regions in Colorado (San Luis Valley and Southeast Colorado regions). The program operates three child care classrooms (Acorn, Honey, and Caramel) that provide child care services to 15 behavioral health and family support facilities across the state.

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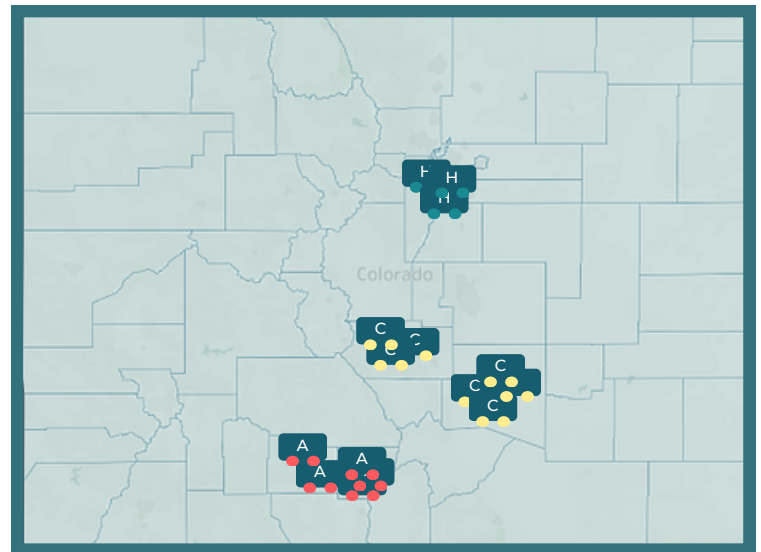


## Service Provision

Year	Service
2020	Mile High Behavioral Health (MHBH): Miracles Program
2021	CrossPurpose Program
2022	San Luis Valley Behavioral Health Group (SLV BHG) - Alamosa
	Rio Grande Hospital
	San Luis Valley Health (SLVH)
	San Luis Valley Behavioral Health Group (SLV BHG) - Monte Vista
	Mile High Behavioral Health (MHBH): Aspen Program
	Gateway to Success - Canon City
	Gateway to Success - Pueblo
	Health Solutions - Crestone Recovery
	Health Solutions - Family Center
	Solvista Health - East
	Solvista Health - West
	Indian Center
SOCO Harm Reduction Association	

Illuminating Child Care services are provided at 15 behavioral health and family support facilities in the Denver Metro Area (3), San Luis Valley (5), and Southeast Colorado (7).

### Service Areas



- 3 regions
- 15 service sites
- 426 service episodes



- H** RV "Honey" servicing the Denver Metro Area
- A** RV "Acorn" servicing the San Luis Valley
- C** RV "Caramel" servicing Southeast Colorado

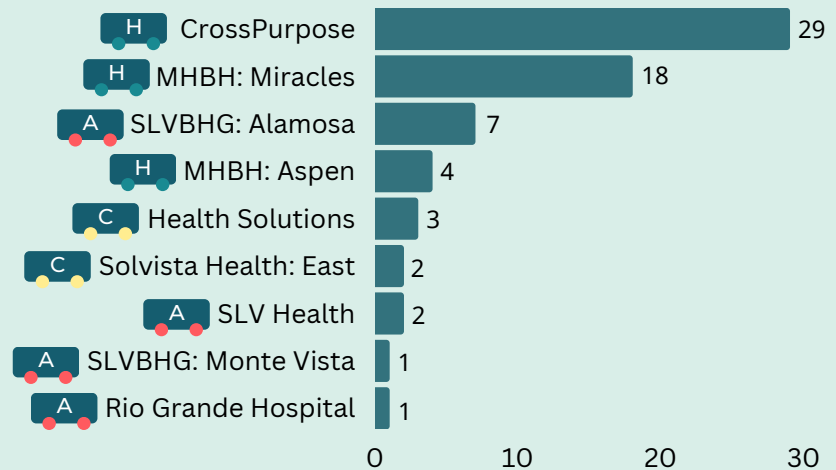
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## Program Reach - Caregivers

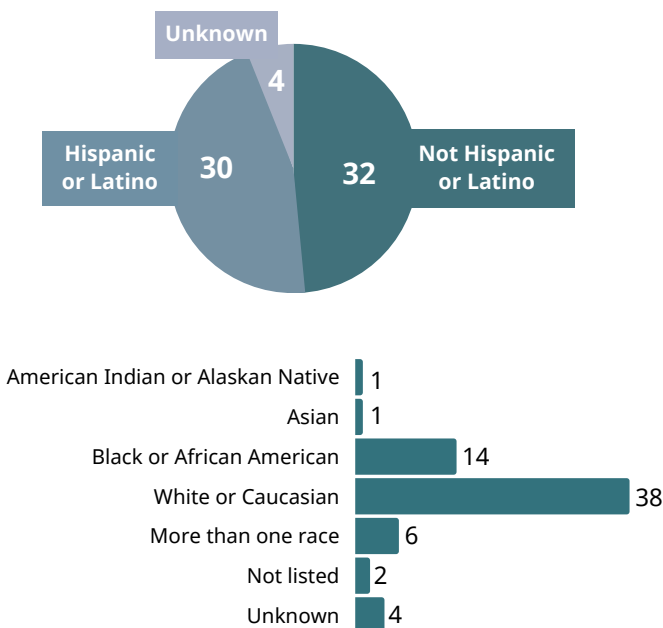
**66 families** participated in the Illuminating Child Care Program, whereby **66 caregivers** received child care for their children while participating in behavioral health and family support services.

Number of Caregiver Participants, by Service Site

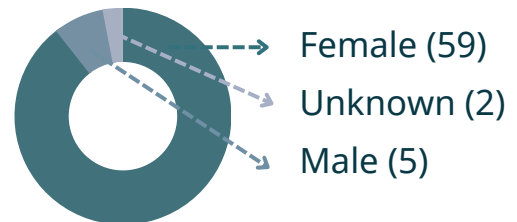


## Caregiver Demographics (n=66)

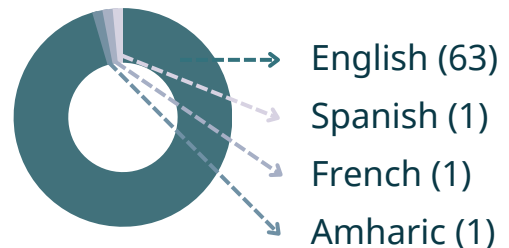
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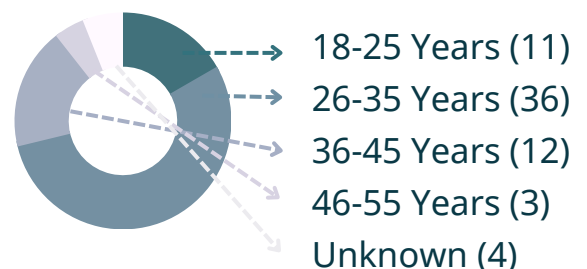
### Gender Identity



### Primary Language



### Age



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## Program Reach - Children



66 Families



**78 children**

Average age of 2 years

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Average number of child care sessions attended by child participants

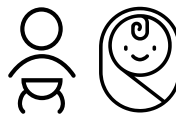
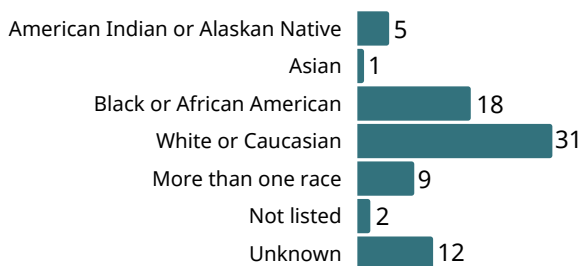
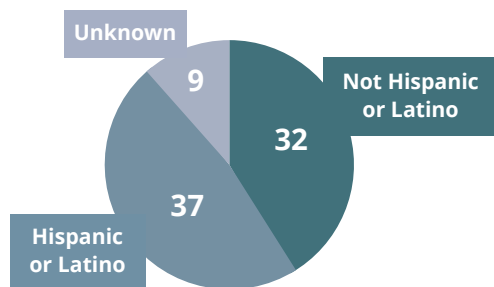
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Average number of child care sessions attended by child participants at Illuminating Child Care's first two service sites: Mile High Behavioral Health, Miracles Program and CrossPurpose

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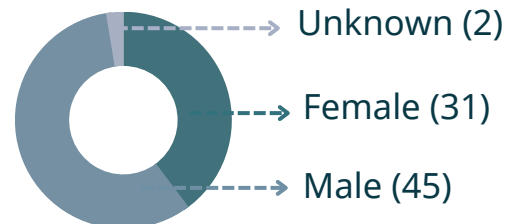
Greatest number of child care sessions attended by a single participant

### Racial and Ethnic Identity



### Child Demographics

Gender Identity



Age

