



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 1

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What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 1 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 1?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 102,178 adults in Congressional District 1 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 16,424 people in Congressional District 1 who do not speak English well and 16,113 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 1. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 71 families in Congressional District 1 for 2006-2007. There were 2 providers with 2 sites in Congressional District 1 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, all the families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 1.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 1?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 1 are:

- ★ Diboll ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Lufkin ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Literacy Council of Tyler, volunteer literacy nonprofit organization (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

Texas State University administers the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center. Due to the need for a state resource center for family literacy practitioners, the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was created to provide professional development, technical assistance, family literacy research, and best practices for Even Start programs. Through collaborative planning with Even Start administrators and early childhood educators, the quality of instruction for Even Start parents and children is continually improving.

What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 1?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$309,743 federal monies and \$423,046 local share monies went to Congressional District 1 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 42% of federal money and 58% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 2

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How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 2 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 2?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 75,279 adults in Congressional District 2 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 17,936 people in Congressional District 2 who do not speak English well and 12,261 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 2. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 7 families in Congressional District 2 for 2006-2007. There was 1 provider with 1 site in Congressional District 2 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, all the families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 2.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 2?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 2 are:

- ★ Channelview ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Beaumont ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 2?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$28,000 federal monies and \$28,000 local share monies went to Congressional District 2 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 50% of federal money and 50% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 3

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- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
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How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 3 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 3?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 57,011 adults in Congressional District 3 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 42,736 people in Congressional District 3 who do not speak English well and 6,861 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 3. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 51 families in Congressional District 3 for 2006-2007. There was 1 provider with 1 site in Congressional District 3 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, all the families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 3.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 3?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 3 are:

- ★ Plano ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Richardson ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 3?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$200,000 federal monies and \$200,000 local share monies went to Congressional District 3 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 50% of federal money and 50% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 4

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How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 4 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 4?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 95,978 adults in Congressional District 4 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 13,300 people in Congressional District 4 who do not speak English well and 13,189 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 4. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 98 families in Congressional District 4 for 2006-2007. There were 2 providers with 3 sites in Congressional District 4 in the last school year of 2006-2007.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 4?

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The providers in Congressional District 4 are:

- ★ Mount Pleasant ISD, local education agency
- ★ Sulphur Springs ISD, local education agency
- ★ Paris Junior College, higher education institution (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 4?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$350,000 federal monies and \$478,571 local share monies went to Congressional District 4 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 42% of federal money and 58% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 6

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How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 6 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 6?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 79,312 adults in Congressional District 6 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 29,312 people in Congressional District 6 who do not speak English well and 10,764 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 6. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 43 families in Congressional District 6 for 2006-2007. There was 1 provider with 2 sites in Congressional District 6 in the last school year of 2006-2007.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 6?

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The providers in Congressional District 6 are:

- ★ Crockett ISD, local education agency
- ★ Corsicana ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 6?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$134,700 federal monies and \$250,157 local share monies went to Congressional District 6 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 35% of federal money and 65% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 9

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How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 9 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 9?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 114,384 adults in Congressional District 9 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 87,121 people in Congressional District 9 who do not speak English well and 20,409 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 9. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 361 families in Congressional District 9 for 2006-2007. There were 6 providers with 8 sites in Congressional District 9 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, approximately 43 families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 9.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 9?

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The providers in Congressional District 9 are:

- ★ Fort Bend ISD, local education agency
- ★ Houston ISD- Benavidez Elementary, local education agency
- ★ Houston ISD- Halpin Elementary, local education agency
- ★ Houston ISD- Sutton Elementary, local education agency
- ★ Neighborhood Centers Inc., nonprofit organization
- ★ Houston ISD- Cunningham Elementary, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 9?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$1,013,341 federal monies and \$934,351 local share monies went to Congressional District 9 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 52% of federal money and 48% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 10

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How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 10 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 10?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 62,462 adults in Congressional District 10 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 29,094 people in Congressional District 10 who do not speak English well and 7,459 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 10. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 40 families in Congressional District 10 for 2006-2007. There was 1 provider with 2 sites in Congressional District 10 in the last school year of 2006-2007.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 10?

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The providers in Congressional District 10 are:

- ★ Advocacy Outreach of Elgin, nonprofit organization
- ★ Brenham ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 10?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$200,000 federal monies and \$200,000 local share monies went to Congressional District 10 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 50% of federal money and 50% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 11

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How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 11 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 11?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 113,107 adults in Congressional District 11 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 25,772 people in Congressional District 11 who do not speak English well and 16,874 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 11. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 119 families in Congressional District 11 for 2006-2007. There were 3 providers with 3 sites in Congressional District 11 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, approximately 41 families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 11.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 11?

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The providers in Congressional District 11 are:

- ★ Marble Falls ISD, local education agency
- ★ Snyder ISD, local education agency
- ★ Midland ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)

Texas State University administers the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center. Due to the need for a state resource center for family literacy practitioners, the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was created to provide professional development, technical assistance, family literacy research, and best practices for Even Start programs. Through collaborative planning with Even Start administrators and early childhood educators, the quality of instruction for Even Start parents and children is continually improving.

What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 11?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$599,369 federal monies and \$418,626 local share monies went to Congressional District 11 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 59% of federal money and 41% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 12

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 12 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 12?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 102,908 adults in Congressional District 12 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 40,069 people in Congressional District 12 who do not speak English well and 10,991 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 12. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 32 families in Congressional District 12 for 2006-2007. There was 1 provider with 1 site in Congressional District 12 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, all the families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 12.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 12?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 12 are:

- ★ Lake Worth ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Project LEARN, nonprofit organization (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

Texas State University administers the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center. Due to the need for a state resource center for family literacy practitioners, the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was created to provide professional development, technical assistance, family literacy research, and best practices for Even Start programs. Through collaborative planning with Even Start administrators and early childhood educators, the quality of instruction for Even Start parents and children is continually improving.

What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 12?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$200,000 federal monies and \$200,000 local share monies went to Congressional District 12 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 50% of federal money and 50% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 13

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 13 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 13?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 102,629 adults in Congressional District 13 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 17,828 people in Congressional District 13 who do not speak English well and 14,017 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 13. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 45 families in Congressional District 13 for 2006-2007. There was 1 provider with 2 sites in Congressional District 13 in the last school year of 2006-2007.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 13?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The provider in Congressional District 13 is:

- ★ Region IX, education service center

Texas State University administers the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center. Due to the need for a state resource center for family literacy practitioners, the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was created to provide professional development, technical assistance, family literacy research, and best practices for Even Start programs. Through collaborative planning with Even Start administrators and early childhood educators, the quality of instruction for Even Start parents and children is continually improving.

What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 13?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$150,000 federal monies and \$278,571 local share monies went to Congressional District 13 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 35% of federal money and 65% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 14

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 14 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 14?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 96,960 adults in Congressional District 14 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 25,638 people in Congressional District 14 who do not speak English well and 14,102 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 14. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 115 families in Congressional District 14 for 2006-2007. There were 2 providers with 5 sites in Congressional District 14 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, approximately 65 families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 14.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 14?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 14 are:

- ★ Angleton ISD, local education agency
- ★ Victoria ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 14?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$400,000 federal monies and \$400,000 local share monies went to Congressional District 14 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 50% of federal money and 50% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 15

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 15 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 15?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 154,044 adults in Congressional District 15 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 75,417 people in Congressional District 15 who do not speak English well and 30,024 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 15. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 139 families in Congressional District 15 for 2006-2007. There were 3 providers with 6 sites in Congressional District 15 in the last school year of 2006-2007.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 15?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 15 are:

- ★ Cuero ISD, local education agency
- ★ Odem-Edroy ISD, local education agency
- ★ Progreso ISD, local education agency
- ★ Edcouch-Elsa ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 15?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$600,000 federal monies and \$450,000 local share monies went to Congressional District 15 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 57% of federal money and 43% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 16

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 16 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 16?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 130,909 adults in Congressional District 16 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 98,485 people in Congressional District 16 who do not speak English well and 27,120 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 16. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 234 families in Congressional District 16 for 2006-2007. There were 3 providers with 7 sites in Congressional District 16 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, approximately 49 families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 16.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 16?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 16 are:

- ★ AVANCE- El Paso, nonprofit organization
- ★ Socorro ISD, local education agency
- ★ Canutillo ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Texas A&M Foundation- El Paso, higher education institution (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 16?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$507,308 federal monies and \$599,285 local share monies went to Congressional District 16 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 46% of federal money and 54% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 17

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 17 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 17?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 92,245 adults in Congressional District 17 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 19,530 people in Congressional District 17 who do not speak English well and 13,105 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 17. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 38 families in Congressional District 17 for 2006-2007. There was 1 provider with 1 site in Congressional District 17 in the last school year of 2006-2007.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 17?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The provider in Congressional District 17 is:

- ★ Bryan ISD, local education agency

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 17?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$150,000 federal monies and \$278,571 local share monies went to Congressional District 17 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 35% of federal money and 65% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 18

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 18 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 18?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 148,500 adults in Congressional District 18 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 69,432 people in Congressional District 18 who do not speak English well and 24,095 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 18. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 199 families in Congressional District 18 for 2006-2007. There were 5 providers with 6 sites in Congressional District 18 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, approximately 24 families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 18.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 18?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 18 are:

- ★ AVANCE-Houston, nonprofit organization
- ★ Houston ISD- Wheately Child Development Center, local education agency
- ★ Spring Branch ISD, local education agency
- ★ Spring ISD, local education agency
- ★ Houston ISD- Crawford Elementary, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Child & Adult Development Center (3 grants), nonprofit organization
Fallbrook Ranch, Fountains, & Tidwell Estates (Closed in August 2006)
- ★ Houston ISD- Crockett Elementary, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Klein ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Sisterhood of Faith in Action, Inc., faith-based nonprofit organization (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 18?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$891,035 federal monies and \$821,997 local share monies went to Congressional District 18 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 52% of federal money and 48% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 20

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 20 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 20?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 120,279 adults in Congressional District 20 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 49,183 people in Congressional District 20 who do not speak English well and 21,257 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 20. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 126 families in Congressional District 20 for 2006-2007. There were 2 providers with 5 sites in Congressional District 20 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, approximately 3 families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 20.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 20?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 20 are:

- ★ Northside ISD, local education agency
- ★ Judson ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)

Texas State University administers the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center. Due to the need for a state resource center for family literacy practitioners, the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was created to provide professional development, technical assistance, family literacy research, and best practices for Even Start programs. Through collaborative planning with Even Start administrators and early childhood educators, the quality of instruction for Even Start parents and children is continually improving.

What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 20?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$153,827 federal monies and \$285,678 local share monies went to Congressional District 20 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 35% of federal money and 65% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 21

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 21 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 21?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 34,163 adults in Congressional District 21 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 119,801 people in Congressional District 21 who do not speak English well and 14,305 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 21. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 76 families in Congressional District 21 for 2006-2007. There was 1 provider with 1 site in Congressional District 21 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, all the families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 21.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 21?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The provider in Congressional District 21 is:

- ★ Judson ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)

Texas State University administers the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center. Due to the need for a state resource center for family literacy practitioners, the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was created to provide professional development, technical assistance, family literacy research, and best practices for Even Start programs. Through collaborative planning with Even Start administrators and early childhood educators, the quality of instruction for Even Start parents and children is continually improving.

What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 21?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$96,950 federal monies and \$180,050 local share monies went to Congressional District 21 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 35% of federal money and 65% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 22

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 22 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 22?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 63,311 adults in Congressional District 22 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 26,156 people in Congressional District 22 who do not speak English well and 7,504 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 22. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 158 families in Congressional District 22 for 2006-2007. There were 2 providers with 8 sites in Congressional District 22 in the last school year of 2006-2007.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 22?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 22 are:

- ★ Fort Bend ISD, local education agency
- ★ Lamar ISD, local education agency

Texas State University administers the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center. Due to the need for a state resource center for family literacy practitioners, the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was created to provide professional development, technical assistance, family literacy research, and best practices for Even Start programs. Through collaborative planning with Even Start administrators and early childhood educators, the quality of instruction for Even Start parents and children is continually improving.

What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 22?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$202,105 federal monies and \$375,338 local share monies went to Congressional District 22 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 35% of federal money and 65% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 23

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 23 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 23?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 110,471 adults in Congressional District 23 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 61,412 people in Congressional District 23 who do not speak English well and 19,272 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 23. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 394 families in Congressional District 23 for 2006-2007. There were 7 providers with 16 sites in Congressional District 23 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, approximately 131 families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 23.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 23?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 23 are:

- ★ AVANCE- Del Rio, nonprofit organization
- ★ Medina Valley ISD, local education agency
- ★ Socorro ISD, local education agency
- ★ Crystal City ISD, local education agency
- ★ Region XX, education service center
- ★ AVANCE- Eagle Pass, nonprofit organization (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ AVANCE- Laredo, nonprofit organization (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Carrizo Springs ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 23?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$1,182,692 federal monies and \$1,284,523 local share monies went to Congressional District 23 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 48% of federal money and 52% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 24

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 24 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 24?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 55,997 adults in Congressional District 24 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 31,422 people in Congressional District 24 who do not speak English well and 6,489 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 24. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 80 families in Congressional District 24 for 2006-2007. There were 2 providers with 2 sites in Congressional District 24 in the last school year of 2006-2007.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 24?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 24 are:

- ★ Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD, local education agency
- ★ Cedar Hill ISD, local education agency
- ★ Grand Prairie ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 24?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$400,000 federal monies and \$285,714 local share monies went to Congressional District 24 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 58% of federal money and 42% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 25

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 25 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 25?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 162,486 adults in Congressional District 25 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 100,861 people in Congressional District 25 who do not speak English well and 29,270 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 25. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 192 families in Congressional District 25 for 2006-2007. There were 3 providers with 6 sites in Congressional District 25 in the last school year of 2006-2007.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 25?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 25 are:

- ★ Austin Learning Academy, nonprofit organization
- ★ Austin Learning Academy - Campbell, nonprofit organization
- ★ Hays CISD, local education agency
- ★ AVANCE-Austin, nonprofit organization (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Communities in School- ASPIRE, nonprofit organization (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

Texas State University administers the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center. Due to the need for a state resource center for family literacy practitioners, the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was created to provide professional development, technical assistance, family literacy research, and best practices for Even Start programs. Through collaborative planning with Even Start administrators and early childhood educators, the quality of instruction for Even Start parents and children is continually improving.

What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 25?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$550,000 federal monies and \$400,000 local share monies went to Congressional District 25 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 58% of federal money and 42% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 26

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 26 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 26?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 71,993 adults in Congressional District 26 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 25,569 people in Congressional District 26 who do not speak English well and 11,096 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 26. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 142 families in Congressional District 26 for 2006-2007. There were 3 providers with 3 sites in Congressional District 26 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, approximately 104 families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 26.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 26?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 26 are:

- ★ East Fort Worth Montessori School, charter school
- ★ Birdville ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Little Elm ISD, local education agency Project LEARN nonprofit organization (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 26?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$599,091 federal monies and \$269,043 local share monies went to Congressional District 26 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 69% of federal money and 31% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 27

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 27 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 27?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 135,750 adults in Congressional District 27 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 69,255 people in Congressional District 27 who do not speak English well and 27,424 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 27. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 90 families in Congressional District 27 for 2006-2007. There was 1 provider with 2 sites in Congressional District 27 in the last school year of 2006-2007.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 27?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 27 are:

- ★ Lyford ISD, local education agency
- ★ Corpus Christi ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Rio Hondo ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Tulo-so-Midway ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 27?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$200,000 federal monies and \$200,000 local share monies went to Congressional District 27 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 50% of federal money and 50% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 28

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 28 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 28?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 138,940 adults in Congressional District 28 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 56,824 people in Congressional District 28 who do not speak English well and 23,750 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 28. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 164 families in Congressional District 28 for 2006-2007. There were 3 providers with 4 sites in Congressional District 28 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, approximately 3 families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 28.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 28?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 28 are:

- ★ Hays CISD, local education agency
- ★ San Marcos ISD, local education agency
- ★ United ISD, local education agency

- ★ AVANCE-Laredo, nonprofit organization (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Zapata County ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

Texas State University administers the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center. Due to the need for a state resource center for family literacy practitioners, the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was created to provide professional development, technical assistance, family literacy research, and best practices for Even Start programs. Through collaborative planning with Even Start administrators and early childhood educators, the quality of instruction for Even Start parents and children is continually improving.

What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 28?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$360,000 federal monies and \$485,237.65 local share monies went to Congressional District 28 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 43% of federal money and 57% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 29

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 29 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 29?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 185,020 adults in Congressional District 29 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 119,745 people in Congressional District 29 who do not speak English well and 24,239 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 29. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 257 families in Congressional District 29 for 2006-2007. There were 5 providers with 9 sites in Congressional District 29 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, approximately 153 families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 29.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 29?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 29 are:

- ★ AVANCE- Pasadena, nonprofit organization
- ★ Houston ISD- Park Place Elementary, local education agency
- ★ Channelview ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Deer Park ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Houston ISD- Judson Robinson Elementary, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 29?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$971,676 federal monies and \$755,252 local share monies went to Congressional District 29 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 56% of federal money and 44% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 30

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 30 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 30?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 150,129 adults in Congressional District 30 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 78,247 people in Congressional District 30 who do not speak English well and 22,566 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 30. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 49 families in Congressional District 30 for 2006-2007. There was 1 provider with 1 site in Congressional District 30 in the last school year of 2006-2007.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 30?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 30 are:

- ★ AVANCE- Dallas, nonprofit organization
- ★ Dallas ISD- Peeler Elementary, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

Texas State University administers the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center. Due to the need for a state resource center for family literacy practitioners, the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was created to provide professional development, technical assistance, family literacy research, and best practices for Even Start programs. Through collaborative planning with Even Start administrators and early childhood educators, the quality of instruction for Even Start parents and children is continually improving.

What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 30?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$200,000 federal monies and \$50,000 local share monies went to Congressional District 30 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 80% of federal money and 20% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 31

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 31 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 31?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 64,916 adults in Congressional District 31 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 14,419 people in Congressional District 31 who do not speak English well and 10,234 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 31. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 37 families in Congressional District 31 for 2006-2007. There was 1 provider with 1 site in Congressional District 31 in the last school year of 2006-2007.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 31?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 31 are:

- ★ Taylor ISD, local education agency
- ★ Hearne ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

Texas State University administers the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center. Due to the need for a state resource center for family literacy practitioners, the Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was created to provide professional development, technical assistance, family literacy research, and best practices for Even Start programs. Through collaborative planning with Even Start administrators and early childhood educators, the quality of instruction for Even Start parents and children is continually improving.

What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 31?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$150,000 federal monies and \$278,571 local share monies went to Congressional District 31 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 35% of federal money and 65% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.



The Value of Even Start Family Literacy In Congressional District 32

Even Start Family Literacy funds are allocated by the U.S. Department of Education under the authority of the William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy (P.L. 100-297), Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). The Texas Education Agency is granted the funds for the state of Texas, and Even Start is administered through Texas LEARNS, the Texas Adult Education and Family Literacy Partnership.

What is the Even Start Family Literacy Program?

Texas Even Start utilizes a family-centered education model that improves the academic achievement of young children and the literacy skills of their parents in order to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Children are taught early reading skills, including mathematics and science. Parents also learn how improve their reading and writing. Texas Even Start programs serve families that are the most economically disadvantaged and have the lowest levels of adult literacy in the state of Texas. In 2006-07, 99% of the participating parents had less than a ninth grade education and 69% of the participating parents were between the ages of 25-44. Even Start integrates the following activities into a unified family literacy program:

- ★ Interactive literacy between parents and their children that transfer educational concepts and values into the home and family
- ★ Training for parents on how to be their children's primary teacher and full partners in the children's education
- ★ Parent literacy education that leads to economic self-sufficiency
- ★ Age-appropriate instruction to prepare children for success in school and life experiences

Texas Even Start Family Literacy dollars are currently being used to provide instructional activities utilizing scientifically based reading research and providing year-round instructional activities including summer instruction and enrichment services.

How Do Texas Families in Congressional District 32 Participate in Even Start Programs?

To be eligible for Even Start funds, the family must qualify as "most in need." This means they are eligible for free and reduced lunch under Title I, have at least one parent who either needs a GED/high school diplomas or has not yet mastered English, and have at least one child under the age of 8. Teen parents under the age of 16 are also eligible to participate with their children as long as the local school district provides the basic education component for the teen parents.

What is the Need for Even Start in Congressional District 32?

According to the U.S. Census, there are 105,603 adults in Congressional District 32 without a high school diploma. In addition, there are 87,523 people in Congressional District 32 who do not speak English well and 12,012 families with children that are living in poverty in Congressional District 32. With the current allocated resources, Texas could only serve 107 families in Congressional District 32 for 2006-2007. There was 1 provider with 4 sites in Congressional District 32 in the last school year of 2006-2007. Unfortunately due to Even Start funds being reduced by 17% nationally in 2007-2008, all the families lost access to Even Start services in Congressional District 32.

Who Provides Even Start Instruction in Congressional District 32?

Even Start providers are funded by the Texas Education Agency through a competitive, rigorous process. Eligible applicants must demonstrate proven effectiveness in providing family literacy services and must partner with one or more educational entities. Eligible applicants can include: local education agencies, community-based organizations, including volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education including community and junior colleges, public or private non-profit agencies and institutions, libraries, public housing authorities, and consortiums of agencies, organizations, institutions and libraries.

The providers in Congressional District 32 are:

- ★ Dallas ISD- Cochran Elementary, local education agency (Closed in August 2007 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Dallas ISD- Peeler Elementary, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)
- ★ Grand Prairie ISD, local education agency (Closed in August 2006 due to reduction in funds.)

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What is the Even Start Investment in Congressional District 32?

A fixed amount of federal funds are available for Even Start applicants. Local share/match is required for each program and the local share requirement increases with each year of implementation. Approximately, \$197,874 federal monies and \$133,333 local share monies went to Congressional District 32 for Even Start services in 2006-2007, comprising 60% of federal money and 40% of local share money. The Texas Family Literacy Resource Center was granted \$384,000 for 2006-2007.