

# **SUN** SUN Community School Profile 2015

## **Highland Elementary School**

Lead Agency: El Programa Hispano Catolico

## Service Area & Target Groups/Focus

Children, adults and families who are homeless, living in poverty and/or at risk of academic failure primarily from school neighborhood, but services are open to anyone.

School Population: 508 students; Grades K-5; 100% Eligible for Free Meals; 60% Students of Color (African American 3%, American Indian/AK Native 1%, Asian 2%, Hispanic 44%, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 2%, Multiple Race 7%, White 40%)

## Core Services

## **Extended-Day Activities (children and adults)**

#### **Academic Support**

Math-maticians Kids Literature Engineering/Science Homework

Rosetta Stone

#### **Enrichment**

Active Art **Engineers Club** 

Soccer Be Active Taekwondo Mad-Scientists

Dance Cooking Concoctions

Healthy Huskies Capture This!

Music

Gardening

## **Empowerment/Skill-**Building

**Lunch Leaders** SUN Junior Staff

#### Mentoring

Summer Youth Works Healthy Huskies **Lunch Leaders** 

#### Recreation

Soccer Be Active **Playworks** Dance Gamers

#### Summer Programs

4 weeks of summer programs: Summer Theme Camp Academic & Enrichment focus Early Kindergarten Transition Program

Field Trips Free Summer Breakfast & Lunch

#### Youth Leadership/Involvement

SUN Junior Staff Healthy Huskies Lunch Leaders

#### Adult Education

Rosetta Stone Language Classes Latino Family Night Reading Nights

#### Community/Cultural Events

Latino Parent Night Family Reading Night Family Math Night Health & Wellness Fair **SUN Showcases** 

Zumba

Family Fun Night Back to School Night

Early Kindergarten Transition Family Event

## **Family Education & Engagement**

Daily communication with parents; School-wide parent meetings and activities Family Support Specialists helping connect students & families to a variety of events including; Fall Family Reading Night, Latino Parent Night, Parent Teacher Club Events & Meetings, Back to School Night, and culturally specific family events.

## Case Management & Skill Building

Social services support including housing, energy assistance, tax preparation, legal advice, clothing assistance and school supplies assistance.

## System Coordination, Service Integration & Site Management

Recruitment & connection of students & families with services; development of referral system SUN CS Advisory Body (school staff, parents, students, and partner agencies)

Partner Meetings

Student Staffing Meetings

Site Management

Partner and Resource Development

17 Community Agency Partners

14 Business Partners

745.5 volunteer hours contributed \$176,096 leveraged in cash & in-kind donations

## **Evaluation**

#### **Outputs**

#### 307 youth served

80% students of color 92% identified as being "at risk of academic failure" 100% qualified for free and reduced lunch

126 adults served

**4959 people served** in non-enrollment events (Family educational nights, cultural fairs, etc.)

#### **Outcomes**

85% of students increased benchmark scores in Reading \* 88% of students increased benchmark scores in Math \* Average daily attendance of SUN CS students was 96%

\*due to changes in state testing these numbers are not available for this year

#### **SUN Spotlight**

The SUN program is a very inclusive program with students of all backgrounds, abilities and behaviors. SUN strives to help students be successful no matter where they come from. This provides an eclectic group of students and families that everyone can learn from.

Our garden has been a great opportunity for students to learn about nutrition and growing their own food; creating a wonderful sense of community. Each week new students were able to shine in different roles and become leaders. The garden was a great opportunity for students and the community to get involved. We had a great garden event this fall and invited families to make salsa at the open house with the vegetables we grew in the garden. Both families and staff got involved and the community enjoyed the taste test at the event. Students from SUN assisted families gathering the vegetables from the garden, serving families and parents and cutting and dicing vegetables. It was encouraging seeing so many students taking on such a big role and working hard towards a common goal; in return building community. Highland SUN is happy to have these students feeling empowered, becoming leaders and actively role modeling for all students at Highland.



