



2025

IMPACT REPORT

The mission of The Hearing & Speech Center is to improve the lives of people with varied hearing and speech abilities through treatment and education.

LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



This year, The Hearing & Speech Center proudly celebrates 65 years of service, growth, and unwavering commitment to our community. Since our founding, HSC has remained guided by a simple but powerful belief: everyone deserves the opportunity to communicate, connect, and thrive. This guiding principle encouraged us to update our mission to be inclusive of all we serve-- Our mission is to improve the lives of people with varied hearing and speech abilities through treatment and education.

For more than six decades, we have walked alongside infants, children, and adults as they discovered their voices, strengthened their listening skills, and gained confidence to fully participate in the world around them. What began as a small vision has grown into a trusted Statewide resource, serving thousands of individuals and families through high-quality therapeutic, educational, and support services.

Our impact would not be possible without the extraordinary support of our community. Donors, partners, staff, volunteers, and families have stood with us year after year—believing in our mission and investing in the lives we serve. Your generosity has fueled innovation, expanded access to care, and ensured that no one is turned away from the services they need.

As we reflect on 65 years of meaningful impact, we do so with deep gratitude and optimism. Together, we honor our past, celebrate our present, and look forward to a future filled with possibility, connection, and hope.

With sincere appreciation,

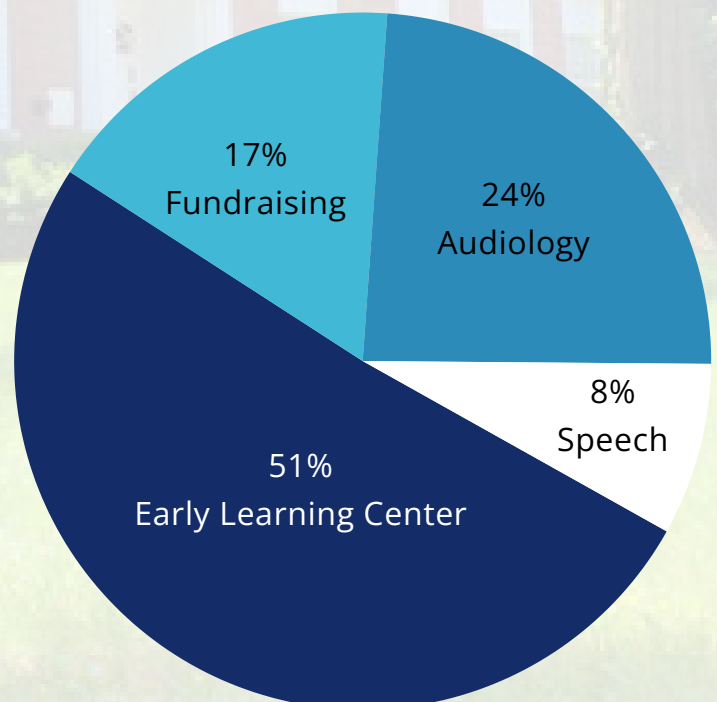
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2025 INCOME



Family Hearing Center Impact

- Over 6,585 appointments
 - ABR appointments: 44
 - Cochlear Implant/BAHA: 205
 - Walk-in Device Service: 1028
 - Hearing Aid Services: 3,498
 - Hearing Evaluations: 1,698
- Over 2,002 clients from 80 counties
 - Ages 0-18: 30.74%
 - Ages 19-64: 23.25%
 - Ages 65+: 46.01%
- Providing hearing screenings to all ELC students twice a year and on an as needed basis
- Daily Equipment Checks for ELC students with equipment

“I have been going to the Hearing and Speech Center for over 15 years. No one does it better! They truly have only your best interest at heart and truly care about an excellent outcome for all. Highest recommendation possible!”
- Scott W.

Ms. Jessica has been an important part of my twins' SEL, development, and especially education. To progress in speech therapy has changed our family communication for the better and dramatically improved their school performance. Ms. Jessica is always kind and encouraging, and we know our twins' speech success is due to her and the Speech Language Therapy Center.”
- Joslyn F.

Speech/Language Impact

- Over 5,336 appointments
- Over 318 clients
 - Youngest client is 2 months old
- Continuation of the in classroom Tiny Tots Talking program, providing activities that stimulate and increase auditory pathways of the brain for children with and without hearing loss to provide the foundation for literacy and school readiness skills.
- Continuation of the Reading Intervention program, providing our Pre-K and Kindergarten students the solid foundation they need to be successful with reading and spelling in the higher grade levels

Early Learning Center Impact

- Inclusive therapeutic program
- 260 children enrolled
 - Day school ages 0-3
 - Pre-school and Kindergarten
 - Big Kid Camps
 - Summer
 - NEW in 2025: Spring Break, Fall Break, After School
 - Specialty Language Summer Camps
- Brought back the Chatterbox program, a collaboration between HSC's Clinic and Education departments designed as a social playgroup to give children 18 months-36 months the opportunity to use their emerging speech-language communication skills with their peers and prepare for preschool.

“I love that my child gets to experience a classroom with children of all abilities! On top of the exceptional early education, he is learning at a young age to normalize differences and be an empathetic human.”
- Elizabeth A.

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