

# Duckworth, Durbin announce nearly \$19 million for Head Start programs

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CHICAGO – Today, U.S. Senators Tammy Duckworth (D-IL) and Dick Durbin (D-IL) announced that the Department of Health and Human Services’ Administration for Children and Families has awarded a total of \$18,928,237 to support Head Start and Early Head Start programs throughout Illinois.

**“This funding will help ensure children across Illinois have access to the tools they need to succeed both in and outside of the classroom,”** said Duckworth. **“I’ll continue to advocate for programs like Head Start to support our families and help ensure every child has a chance to reach their full potential.”**

**“The Head Start and Early Head Start programs are sources of countless success stories in Illinois and remain crucial for healthy development and school readiness,”** said Durbin. **“Today’s funding will help children throughout Illinois have the strong educational foundation they need to succeed from elementary school to college and beyond.”**

The following Illinois organization will receive funding for Head Start and Early Head Start programs under this announcement:

- Wabash Area Development (**Enfield, IL**): \$4,659,857.00
- Springfield Urban League (**Springfield, IL**): \$5,816,154.00
- Illinois Action for Children (**Chicago, IL**): \$4,030,376.00
- Evanston/Skokie Community Consolidated School District 65 (**Evanston, IL**): \$2,927,276.00
- Children's Home and Aid Society of Illinois (**Chicago, IL**): \$1,494,574.00