

# Early Childhood Iowa Funding

In SFY'19, ECI area board expenditures totaled over \$26.4 million in state funds. ECI area boards also reported over \$4.4 million in additional public and private dollars expended to support programs, services and staff. State-level ECI Office expended \$1,229,475. Of this amount, \$23,572 was expended for office expenditures, \$6,370 in travel expenses and \$279,438 for staff salary and benefits. The staff salary and benefits were for two full time and a part time administrative staff person in the ECI State Office. (Note: There was a brief gap based on the retirement of one staff person.) The staff salary and benefits also included \$55,000 from the Early Childhood appropriation to support a part time staff person to the ECI State Technical Assistance (TA) Team from the Department of Human Services (DHS). In addition to the one TA Team member from DHS, the Iowa Department of Public Health contributes a quarter time staff person and the Department of Education contributes a part time staff person, but the position has been vacant since March, 2019.

The remaining amount of funds expended was for state-level professional development. ECI receives funding at the state-level to support and move forward efforts to strengthen the early childhood's professional development system. The ECI State Office receives input from the ECI Professional Development Component Group to determine investments in the professional development system. Funds are primarily targeted for projects that would not otherwise happen on their own. In FY '19, the funding was \$920,095. (This included the allocation for professional development activities and additional funding from the ECI State Office administration funding.) Funded projects included the Iowa Family Support Credential; Infant and Toddler Mental Health; Early Childhood Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports; T.E.A.C.H. IOWA Scholarships and Child Development Associate (CDA) Support; WAGE\$® IOWA Project; Child Care Nurse Consultant; and overall professional development coordination.

2019 Total ECI Area Expenditures

