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Services:

To Whom It May Concern:

Community Education Our Head Start Program is participating in the Share Literacy Program. On September 16th Laurie R. Noe and Susan Josephs came to our program to train the

Dental Services

teaching staff on how to use the Share Literacy materials. Our staff was very impressed with this training. Out of the 39 staff that attended the training, 31 said the training was excellent, 6 said the training was good and the other 2 said the

training was great. The following are some of the comments the staff had

regarding this workshop and the Share Literacy Program:

Emergency Assistance

Head Start

Very good workshop.

Health Services

HEAP

It was very interesting-gave me ideas to use not only in the classroom but with my

own kids.

I love the ideas of "teaching-stories" from the world I have-I have a family in

Poland and Africa and I see a whole new world opening up.

Never heard of Hoopoe Books from Afghanistan-thank you for introducing me to

them.

This was a wonderful training; it kept me focused and provided such valuable

information-the rewards are tremendous.

Very interesting session-lots of good ideas and good intentions.

Information & Referral

Housing

Senior Services

Weatherization

The first book and CD the teachers and children received is *The Lion Who Saw Himself in the Water*, by Idries Shah. Both the teachers and children are enjoying this book. The teachers have learned some really unique ways of presenting the book to the children through the training mentioned above. The parents are also enjoying the book and CD at home with their children. It is wonderful that the children receive a copy of the book and CD to keep.

Our Head Start Program provides services to 339 federally funded children whose families are at or below the 100% poverty income guidelines. Ten percent of our children are children with disabilities. Some of our families do not have the money to go out and purchase nice books for their children. When you are deciding between food for your family or a book for your child, the food wins. Share Literacy enables the children to receive 2 really nice books and CD's per

year. The program helps the staff and parents promote literacy with specially chosen books to help develop skills in thinking as well as reading.

We are very privileged to be a part of the Share Literacy Program and the Hoopoe books are wonderful. We highly recommend this program to other agencies/programs.

Sincerely,

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