

# HOBBS GRADS SUCCESSES

*GRADS childcare center opened in 2007 with the support of the J.F Maddox Foundation*

## **Resource Team developed in 2007 current members include:**

*Mike Clampitt-CEO of Boys & Girls Club of Hobbs*

*Paula Methola-GRADS Teacher/Childcare Director*

*Stefani Shoultz-Gomez-Hobbs High School Nurse*

*Claudia Saxe-Social Worker Hobbs High School*

*Zeke Kaney: Principal of Hobbs High School*

*Lana Weldy-Principal Hobbs High School*

*Ethan Ayers-Councilor Hobbs High School*

*Dawni Nelson-Principal Hobbs Freshman School*

*Tracy South-Presbyterian Medical Services*

# Community Collaborations include:

- Hobbs Municipal Schools
- PMS monthly well-baby check-ups at childcare center
- Lions Club yearly vision screenings on all children in center
- MECA Therapies twice a year developmental screenings
- Familia Dental cleanings twice a year
- Child Youth and Families Department-FOCUS Program
- Food Program
- APEX Learning System
- Humphrey House
- David Garcia: Certified Stress Management Instructor
- Southeast Community Action: Grandmother's volunteer program
- New Mexico Workforce Connection
- TEACH Scholarship Program

# Successes

- Transportation for students and children to and from school
- Low Birth rates reduced
- At risk students that graduated
- Teen mother drop-Outs recruited back to school
- Relationship with our local legislators
- New Mexico Junior College
- College of the Southwest
- 50% of my staff are currently working on their early childhood certification

# Next Steps for Program Growth

- 2014-Fatherhood Program
- 2014-Star 3 Accreditation through CYFD
- 2014-Add a separate playground for Pre-School
- 2014-Clinic immunizations done on-site
- 2015 Star 4 accreditation through CYFD
- 2015 100% staff with have their early childhood certification (Associates Degree)

## FUNDING SOURCES

- New Mexico GRADS, through the New Mexico Department of Education
- GRADS Plus: Making Connections for Success Grant
- New Mexico Children Youth and Families Department Licensed Child Care Center
- Private pay monthly childcare fees
- Reimbursable snack program
- Joint use agreement with Hobbs Municipal Schools.

## GRANTS

- We also apply for grants from many charitable foundations.