

## ATTACHMENT E

### Program Information Summaries

#### 2024 Social and Emotional Institute

On December 4, the Head Start Birth to Five Program hosted its annual Social and Emotional Institute at the Desert Willow Conference Center, attracting over 400 attendees. The event emphasized essential social-emotional strategies for fostering young children's development. Participants will incorporate the insights gained into their daily interactions with the children.

#### Region IX Office of Head Start

From December 3 to 5, ten staff members from the Head Start Birth to Five program attended an important three-day presentation organized by the Region IX Office of Head Start at Westgate. Alongside over 100 staff from other grantee organizations across Arizona, they received vital updates on fiscal processes, new rules in the Head Start Program Performance Standards, and procedures to ensure children's health and safety. This information will assist the Head Start Birth to Five Program in maintaining compliance with all regulations and improving the care provided to enrolled children.

#### Trauma-Informed Organization

On December 13, the Head Start Birth to Five Program received a prestigious certificate, recognizing it as one of ten national government agencies designated as a Trauma-Informed Organization. This honor reflects over three years of commitment to implementing trauma-informed strategies and is valid until December 1, 2027.

#### Adopt-A-Family

During the week of December 16, eight families from the Head Start Birth to Five program received gifts organized by the City Manager's Office. Staff from the City Manager's Office, along with Public Works, Police, Neighborhood Services, Communication Departments, and City of Phoenix Employees for Christ, came together to gather and wrap gifts for 28 children and their parents. The Public Works Department supported two of these families. The families expressed their gratitude for the kindness shown by the City of Phoenix staff.