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Applicant: Lima Allen Council on Community Affairs
Project Title: ARRA Head Start Expansion
Funding: Fed. \$664,800; State \$0; Other \$220,164; Total \$884,964
Funding Agency: American Recover and Reinvestment Act of 2009
Department of Health & Human Services/Administration
for Children and Families
Impact Area: Lima, Allen County

Project Summary:

Lima Allen Council on Community Affairs, (LACCA) is located at 540 S. Central Avenue, Lima , Ohio 45804. LACCA proposes to expand to provide additional Head Start services in their current service area, Allen County, Ohio, including the Cities of Lima and Delphos; and the Villages of Harrod, Beavertown, Spencerville, Bluffton and Lafayette. The neighborhood where the center will be located is in the north end of Lima specifically, where no Head Start Center exists at this time, and were fewer children have the opportunity of participating in Head Start.

The timeline to begin services is approximately 60 days after grant award, with full enrollment expected upon the first day of classes. The Head Start program in partnership with other providers, will serve a total of 48 children and their families at or below 100% of poverty, or children who have disabilities. LACCA proposes to operate three (3) classrooms, each with 16 children.

LACCA has obtained support letters from the following:

**Allen County Board of MRDD
Allen County Commissioners
Allen County Children Services
Allen County Department of Job and Family Services
Allen County Family and Children First Council
Allen County Department of Public health
Allen County Health Partners
City of Lima
Cornerstone Harvest Church
Help Me Grow of Allen County
Rhodes State College
St. Rita's Medical Center
YWCA Child Care Resource and Referral**