

2025-2026 ANNUAL REPORT



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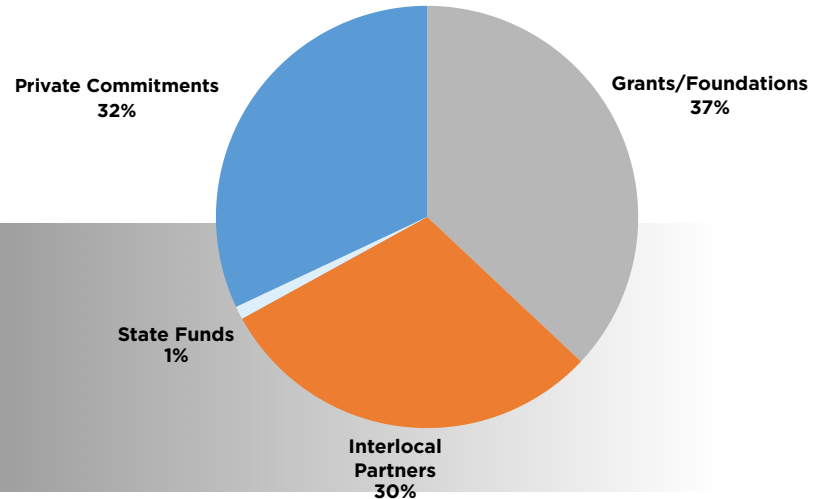
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

* as of January 1, 2026

Total Project Cost: \$15,073,790
Total Committed: \$15,073,790
Remaining Capital Need: \$0

Gifts and Commitments

Grants/Foundation: \$5,571,916
Interlocal Partners: \$4,520,000
State Funds: \$198,496
Private Commitments: \$4,783,378

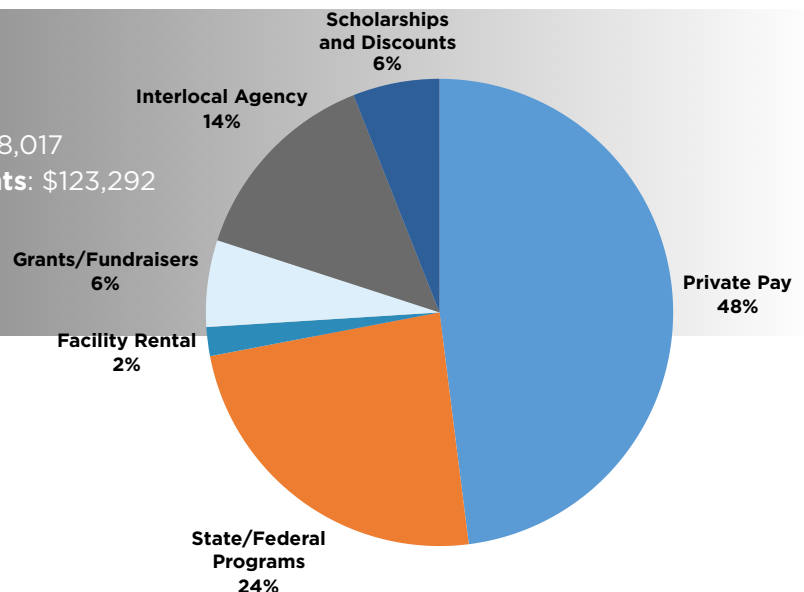
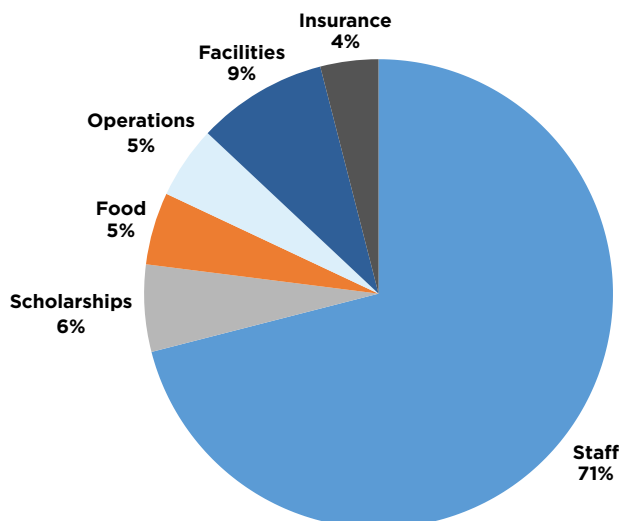


2025-26 OPERATIONS

* as of June 30, 2026

Revenues \$2,025,864

Private Pay for Tuition: \$981,014
State Subsidy for Tuition/Federal Food Program: \$478,017
Unrealized Income for Scholarships and Staff Discounts: \$123,292
Facility Rental: \$41,120
Grants/Fundraisers: \$127,421
Interlocal Facilities Agency: \$275,000



Expenses \$2,030,710

Staff Wages/Taxes/Workers Comp: \$1,439,559
Tuition Scholarships/Staff Discount: \$123,292
Food: \$106,980
Operations: \$101,324
Facilities: \$178,660
Insurance: \$80,895

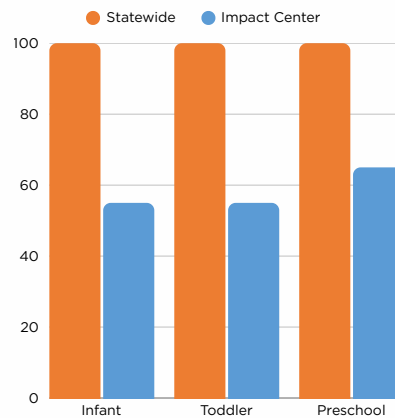
CREATING ACCESS

The Gothenburg Impact Center is committed to giving every family access to high-quality early childhood care and education.

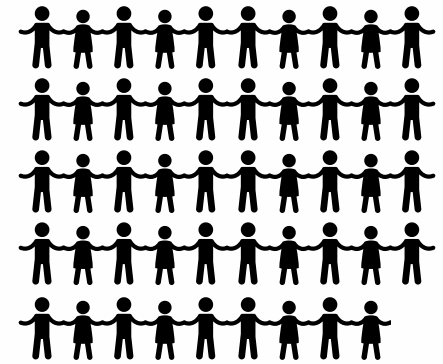
Tuition assistance is available to eligible families to help offset the full cost of childcare. Staff receive a childcare discount as part of their employment.

This tuition assistance is made possible by gifts from generous local donors.

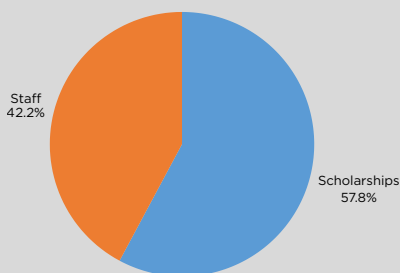
Childcare rates at the Flatwater Bank Early Learning Center for the 2025-26 school year were between the 55th and 65th percentile for rural Nebraska centers, meaning **35% to 45% of rural childcare centers in Nebraska charged more for care.**



30 Different working families received tuition assistance



49 Students were able to receive care and learning because of tuition assistance

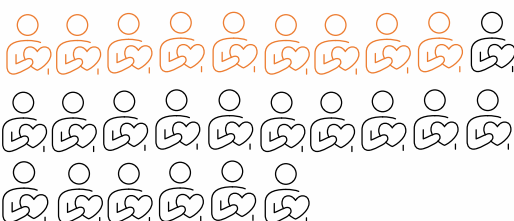


\$123,292

was provided in tuition assistance and staff discounts for childcare

\$118,195 was given by generous local donors to be used for tuition assistance

26 donors supported the tuition assistance fund



9 of these donors contributed \$5,000 or more

- Devin and Jami Brundage
- First State Bank, Farnam
- Flatwater Bank
- Tim Franzen
- Tim and Mishayla Freburg
- Verlin and Charolett Janssen
- Wayne Janssen
- John and Kristi Kreuscher
- Kevin and Joyce Richardson

YEAR IN REVIEW

July 2025 - June 2026

The Flatwater Bank Early Learning Center was designed as an answer to the shortage of licensed childcare for working families in Gothenburg. Using Census data, the Center was built to be able to provide care for all community children who didn't have access to affordable, high-quality, licensed childcare.

The Flatwater Bank Early Learning Center is doing what we said we would do!

194 
Families received needed care

314 
Different children received care

Families can choose the care that fits their needs.



Full-time Students

160



Part-time Students

16



Drop-In Students

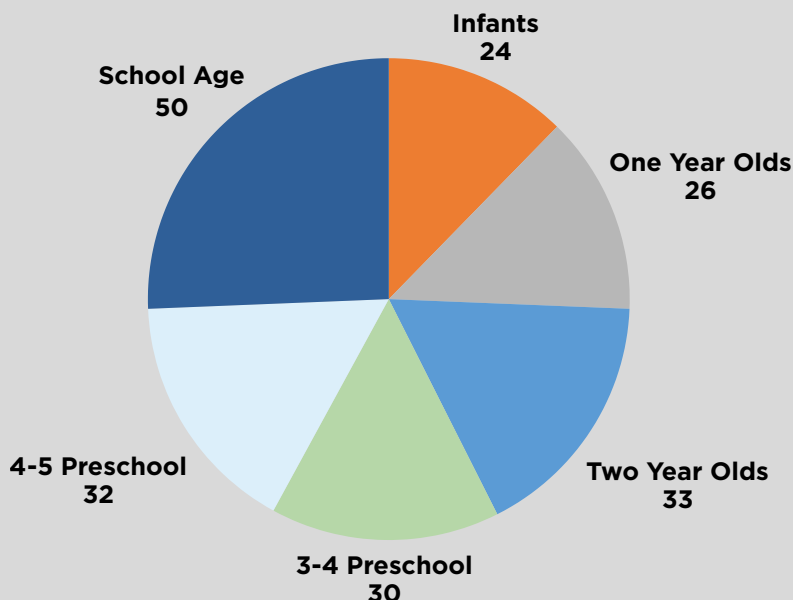
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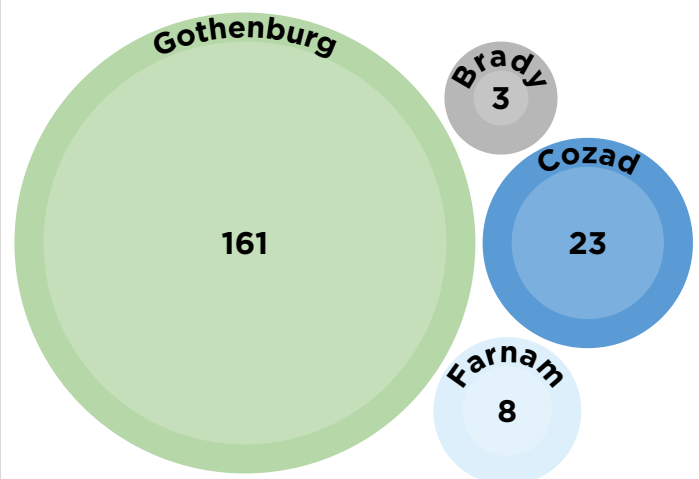
Half-Day Learning Students
(follows the school calendar)

11

195 Enrolled children on June 30



Student Home Towns



YEAR IN REVIEW

July 2025 - June 2026



Staff

- 24** Full Time Teachers
- 10** Part Time Teachers
- 3** Kitchen Staff
- 2** Janitor/Maintenance Staff
- 7** Management Team



\$16.40

Average wage for hourly employees

Teachers who spend their days with the children are the most important part of providing high-quality early childhood experiences. In order to support our teachers and their interactions with their students, the Flatwater Bank Early Learning Center provides continuing education opportunities.



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full-time staff have completed at least one Early Learning Guideline

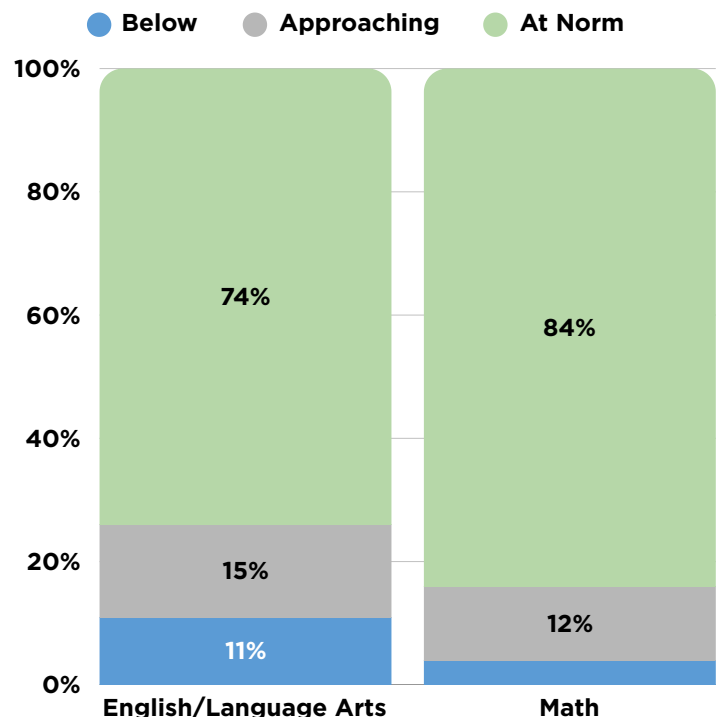
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head teachers are taking extensive Pyramid Model training

In addition to outside classes, teachers meet weekly with the on-site Curriculum Director to collaborate and create lesson plans. Teachers implement Creative Curriculum, Heggerty, Handwriting Without Tears, Lively Letters, and Second Step.

2025 Public School Readiness Data

For Flatwater Bank
Early Learning Center Students



The Flatwater Bank Early Learning Center takes its mission to care for the community's children in a high-quality learning environment very seriously. Every classroom uses research-based, developmentally-appropriate curriculum to prepare each child for his or her next milestone.

Kindergarten readiness assessments conducted by Gothenburg Public Schools in the Fall of 2025 showed students from the Impact Center had a strong foundation for future learning. These students arrived at school prepared and ready to learn, making them good classroom citizens and setting them up for future success.



DAYSPRING BANK
EVENT CENTER

COMMUNITY IMPACT

July 2025-June 2026

The Impact Center is an integrated facility addressing community-wide challenges. One of the community needs being met at the Impact Center is the need for event and meeting space. The Dayspring Bank Event Center gives the community space for a number of different gatherings.

5



Weddings

9



Community
Events

12



Meetings/
Trainings

7



Parties

12



WIC Clinics for
Families



GHS Prom



Preschool
Graduation



Scholastic
Book Fair



\$38,888

Event Center Rental Revenue

The rental revenue generated from these events goes into the general operating budget to offset costs incurred at the Early Learning Center.

9



Local Vendors

Local caterers and bar vendors have had the opportunity to provide their services for these events in the community.

450



Guest seating

The ballroom can seat 450 guests for a wedding or other event.

COMMUNITY IMPACT

July 2025-June 2026



The Impact Center houses the Jack Randecker Sports Training Center, an indoor, turf-covered area available to the Early Learning Center children to use during inclement weather and for rent by local teams and organizations for practice on the evenings and weekends.



The Impact Center addresses community-wide challenges impacting children and their families beyond the need for childcare. Families in our community are dealing with the realities of food scarcity, housing instability, rising costs, limited budgets, and other economic hardships. The 96 Ranches, Inc. Healthy Families Center is a central location for many services that support these families.

The 96 Ranches, Inc. Healthy Families Center offers the following to local families:

- Used clothing exchange of donated items managed by volunteers
- Christian Charity Fund of the Gothenburg/Brady Ministerial Association
- Central navigation services through Heartland Family Partners



- Emergency financial assistance provided by the Gothenburg/Brady Ministerial Association and Heartland Family Partners.

THANK YOU

The Impact Center is a community endeavor that serves the community and is supported by the community.

Thank you to everyone who has supported us with your kind words, your helpful actions, and your trust:

- Capital Campaign Donors
- Scholarship Fund Donors
- City of Gothenburg
- Gothenburg Public Schools
- Local Businesses
- Early Learning Center Parents
- Healthy Family Center Donors and Volunteers
- Gothenburg/Brady Ministerial Association

Gifts from generous donors make tuition assistance to working families possible. Please consider making a gift to give more local children access to high-quality childcare and learning. Our goal is to raise \$130,000 this year to help working families who don't qualify for state aid but cannot afford the full cost of childcare.

The Gothenburg Impact Center is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization and your gift may be tax deductible as a charitable contribution.

To make a gift:

- Complete the form on the right and return with a check, or
- Scan the QR code to pay online with a credit card, or
- Talk to your employer about a regular deduction through your paycheck.

Gifts of \$5,000 will be recognized on the scholarship application form and in next year's Annual Report.

Mail or drop off completed form and check to:
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**100% of funds
raised will go to
tuition assistance**

Scan and Pay Online
with a Credit Card



The Gothenburg Impact Center is helping address the childcare capacity needs of local families. Your tax-deductible gift helps keep childcare costs affordable for working families while giving children access to high-quality care and early education. We love sharing what we do with our community, and we're happy to offer tours during business hours. Come see firsthand what's happening at the Gothenburg Impact Center! Stop by or call 308-351-5010 to schedule a tour.