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RAHALL ANNOUNCES \$1.2 MILLION FOR HEAD START IN MCDOWELL COUNTY

HUNTINGTON, WV -- U.S. Representative Nick Rahall (D-WV) announced today that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services awarded the Council of the Southern Mountains in Wilcoe, West Virginia \$1,197,611 for its Head Start program.

The Head Start program provides comprehensive health, educational, nutritional, social and other services primarily to preschool children from low-income families. To further aid the children's development, the program involves the parents in activities with their children.

"I have always supported full funding for the Head Start program, so that every economically disadvantaged child may receive the help and care that he or she needs to be physically, mentally, and socially prepared to begin school," stated Rahall. "This grant will help a lot of children in McDowell County start school on the right foot."

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