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Mary Crane Center Announces New Site Directors at Its 2019 Annual Meeting

Chicago — Mary Crane Center announced new site directors at its 2019 Annual Meeting held at The Hatchery in Garfield Park on June 26, 2019. Over 75 guests attended the event to celebrate the agency's accomplishments from the past year and the announcement of new staff directors.

Executive Director Mary Ruth Coffey announced the new site directors, they are:

- Traci Delgado, Program Director
- Valerie Dickens, West Garfield Park
- Carol Washington, Home Base Visiting Program Director
- Eleanor Northern, Rogers Park Site Director

Mary Crane Center supports its team and the positive impact they have on families and children. Due to the hard work of the staff and educators, we want to recognize other promotions as we close this year. Additionally, Mary Crane Center promoted 11 current staff members in new positions throughout the operating year. They are:

- Jennifer Franklin, Lead Teacher
- Erandi Hernandez, Lead Teacher
- Geraldine Howard, Type 04
- Debra Kelly, Education Coordinator
- Latoya Randle, Teacher Assistant
- Patricia Scardina, Lead Teacher,
- Patricia Thomas, Lead Teacher
- Shirley Watson, Lead Teacher
- Arlena Webb, Home Base Visitor
- Gwendolyn Wright, Home Base Visitor
- Concepcion Venegas, Family Worker

The evening program included appetizers and a buffet. Ms. Coffey, executive director, Mary Crane, presented the numerous accomplishments from the past year. A total of 532 families and 597 children enrolled over the past year. Over 80% of the children are meeting or exceeding socio-emotional objectives, and over 70% are meeting or exceeding language objectives. Due to our partnership with Erikson Early Math and our educators, over 85% of the children are meeting or exceeding math objectives.

Mary Crane Center's mission promotes the comprehensive early development of children through school-readiness programs, personal enrichment activities, and family support services. MCC has served over 15,000 children since its inception. Today, it serves about 600 children per year at its four learning sites and six strategic partnership locations with the Archdiocese of Chicago, Chicago Public Schools, and other partners. Mary Crane League is a 501(c)3 organization. Visit www.MaryCrane.org for more news and information.

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