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SALT LAKE CAP* HEAD START NAMED *OUTSTANDING HEAD START GRANTEE FOR 2005*

Out of 1,604 Head Start programs in the nation, Salt Lake CAP Head Start is named one of the top 40 by the National Head Start Association.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, March 23, 2005 — Salt Lake CAP Head Start has been named one of the top 40 Head Start programs in the Nation by the National Head Start Association. This award is in recognition of Head Start's 40th Anniversary.

Head Start is a comprehensive preschool program for children and families living in poverty. Families must qualify at 100% poverty or have a child with a special need. Salt Lake CAP Head Start serves more than 2,000 children and families in the Salt Lake and Tooele Counties. They are the largest Head Start program in Utah and one of the largest in the nation.

This past fall the program underwent its Federal Review, a thorough evaluation that is done on all Head Start programs every three years. Out of over 1500 measurable ways to have deficiency findings Salt Lake CAP Head Start only received five. This is the best review the agency has received in its 40 year history and one of the best nationally.

“I knew we had a high quality program it is just wonderful to be recognized on a national level. The staff are the most dedicated and caring individuals I have ever had the pleasure of working with.” Erin Trenbeath-Murray stated about the award. Sarah Greene, President and CEO of the Nation Head Start Association said “Your program was chosen because you were able to describe your success in areas of program management and services to children and families, and to highlight your program's recognitions.”

The program will be honored at the National Head Start Association training conference in Orlando, Florida on May 25th; the theme of this session is *Focus on Quality*.