

**The Exchange Top 75**  
North America's Oldest Child Care Organizations

Organization	Location	Executive Director	Date Established
Newark Day Center	Newark, New Jersey	Trish Morris-Yamba	1803
Graham-Windham Services	New York, New York	Poul Jensen	1806
North End Children's Center	Boston, Massachusetts	James Luisi	1826
Leak and Watts Services	Yonkers, New York	Alan Mucatel	1831
St. Ann's Infant and Maternity Home	Hyattsville, Maryland	Sister Mary Bader	1860
Toledo Day Nursery	Toledo, Ohio	Pat Scheuer	1871
Associated Early Care and Education	Boston, Massachusetts	Wayne Ysaguirre	1878
Holy Family Day Home	San Francisco, California	Donna Cahill	1878
Leila Day Nurseries	New Haven, Connecticut	Gladys Deutsch	1878
CBA Hurst Preschool	San Francisco, California	Irene Byrne	1879
Virginia Day Nursery	New York, New York	Aurora Ceniza	1879
Center for Families and Children	Cleveland, Ohio	Lisa Goss	1882
Edward Street Child Services	Worcester, Massachusetts	Diane Bruce	1883
Square One	Springfield, Massachusetts	Joan Kagan	1883
Lowell Day Nursery Association	Lowell, Massachusetts	Jo-Anne Spence	1885
Cheerful Home Childcare & Early Learning Center	Quincy, Illinois	Jeris Grim	1886
Columbus Early Learning Centers	Columbus, Ohio	Kim A. Fulton	1886
SSDN (South Side Day Nursery)	St. Louis, Missouri	Anne Kessen Lowell	1886
Memorial Day Nursery of Paterson	Paterson, New Jersey	Gina M. Johnson	1887
Bethany Lenox Hill Day Care Center	New York, New York	Warren Scherf	1887
Creche Child Care Center	Omaha, Nebraska	Lisa Richardson	1887
Lincoln Day Nursery	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	Thelma Miller	1889
Camden Day Nursery	Camden, New Jersey	Alyssa Wilds	1890
St. Michael's Day Nursery	Wilmington, Delaware	Helen C. Riley	1890
Haverhill Day Nursery Association	Bradford, Massachusetts	Kathy DeFel	1890
Pro Re Bona Day Nursery	Chattanooga, Tennessee	Ikeko Bass	1890
Brooklyn Kindergarten Society	Brooklyn, New York	James Mation	1891
Fannie Battle Day Home for Children	Nashville, Tennessee	Sara Longhini	1891
Pawtucket Day Child Development Center	Pawtucket, Rhode Island	Evenly St. George	1892
Children's Day Nursery and Family Center	Passaic, New Jersey	Susan Dannemiller	1892
Salvation Army Day Care Center	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	Richard Allen	1893
Winifred Wheeler Head Start Daycare	Bronx, New York	John Sanchez	1893
Community Day Nursery	East Orange, New Jersey	Kathy Burke	1894
Neighborhood House	Salt Lake City, Utah	Jacob Brace	1894
Brockton Day Nursery	Brockton, Massachusetts	Patti Plummer-Wilson	1894
Hudson Guild	New York, New York	Ken Jockers	1895
New Rochelle Day Nursery	New Rochelle, New York	Sabrina Delgado	1895
KCAA Pre-Schools of Hawaii	Honolulu, Hawaii	Christina Cox	1895
Waterbury Day Nursery Association	Waterbury, Connecticut	Emily Konopacke	1895
Kingsley House	New Orleans, Louisiana	Keith Liederman, Ph.D	1896
Early Connections Learning Centers	Colorado Springs, Colorado	Diane Price	1897
Marillac House	Chicago, Illinois	Bart Winters	1897
Salvation Army Child Care	Chicago, Illinois		1897
The Kings Daughter's Day School	Plainfield, New Jersey	Valeria Erdosi-Mehaffey	1898
Day Nursery Association	Indianapolis, Indiana	Carolyn M. Dederer	1899
Sayre Child Center	Bethlehem, Pennsylvania	Tina I. Siegfried	1899
Sheltering Arms Early Education and Family Centers	Atlanta, Georgia	Elaine P. Draeger	1900
ChildCareGroup	Dallas, Texas	Margaret Patterson	1901
Jenkintown Day Nursery	Jenkintown, Pennsylvania	Kim Jones	1903
Colony-South Brooklyn Houses	Brooklyn, New York	Balaguru Cacarla	1904
Gate City Day Nursery Association	Atlanta, Georgia	Doris Dickens	1905
Snell's Kindergarten School	Stockton, California	Donna Johnson	1906
Fruit and Flower Child Care Center	Portland, Oregon	Rhonda McDowall	1906
Christopher House	Chicago, Illinois	Lori Bass	1906
Mile High Child Care	Denver, Colorado	AnnaJo Haynes	1906

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New London Day Nursery	New London, Connecticut	Melanie Smith Cervera	1906
Poughkeepsie Day Nursery	Poughkeepsie, New York	Virginia Lena-Murphy	1907
St. Elizabeth's Day Home	San Jose, California	Dianna Ballesteros	1907
Neighborhood Centers	Houston, Texas	Angela Blanchard	1907
Mary Crane Center	Chicago, Illinois	Lavetter Terry	1908
North Avenue Day Nursery	Chicago, Illinois	Steven Koll	1908
Milestones Early Learning Center	Bloomington, Illinois	Dana David	1908
Parkersburg Day Nursery	Dallas, Texas	Karen Pccio	1908
EOAC Early Head Start Program	Waco, Texas	Johnette Hicks	1908
Day Nursery Association	Scranton, Pennsylvania	Grace Hogan	1909
Places and Programs for Children	Portsmouth, Virginia	Toni Cacace-Beshears	1911
St. Vincent's Day Home	Oakland, California	Corinne M Mohrman, M.A.	1911
Long Beach Day Nursery	Long Beach, California	Patricia Wong	1912
Evanston Day Nursery	Evanston, Illinois	Serena Romero	1912
Middletown Day Nursery	Middletown, New York	Tekki Rescenski	1912
Julia Day Nursery and Kindergarten	Acsonia, Connecticut	Sharon Kelly	1913
Lancaster Day Care Center	Lancaster, Pennsylvania	Nancy Jordan	1915
Holyoke Day Nursery	Holyoke, Massachusetts	Ann Sherlock	1916
Boulder Day Nursery	Boulder, Colorado	Steve Calendar	1917
Orlando Day Nursery Association	Orlando, Florida	Mata Dennis	1921

Based solely on information supplied by the organizations.



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North End Children's Center, Boston, Massachusetts

in 1867. The object of this meeting was "to assist working women in the care and education of their children and to procure employment for such women." The purpose was to maintain a home "wholly non-sectarian, for children whose families were unable to care for

them; to prevent a permanent separation of families; to promote child welfare in the community." These women wanted a place for small children of working mothers to have competent and sympathetic supervision.