



**South Carolina State Head Start Association
Hosts Annual Statewide Head Start Awareness Day
Celebration**

Theme: 50 Years of Opportunity : 1965-2015

When: October 23, 2014

Time: 10:30am-2:00pm

Where: Finlay Park, 930 Laurel Street, Columbia, SC 29201

Cost: Free and open to the public

Why: The Governor of South Carolina has proclaimed October 23, 2014 as South Carolina Head Start Awareness Day. The month of October 2014 is the National Pre-Kick Off Month to commemorate the Fifty Years of Head Start: 1965-2015. This is a statewide event showcasing South Carolina's premier comprehensive school readiness programs serving vulnerable children from birth to 5 years. Over 13,057 South Carolina children are served through twenty-four diverse Head Start, Early Head Start, Migrant Head Start, and Native American Head Start Programs. This event will feature program quality recognitions, special attractions and a host of activities for the kids.

Benefit: In fifty years, the Head Start Program has given more than 31 million children an opportunity to succeed in school and in life. This is a national achievement in which every member of the Head Start Community should take pride in. Head Start Awareness Day observances are being held all over the country during the month of October. This year marks the twentieth Head Start Awareness Day celebration event held in South Carolina.

Event Sponsors: The SC State Head Start Association (SCSHSA) and the SC State Head Start Collaboration Office

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