



## **Closing the Preschool Gap in Oakland's District 7**

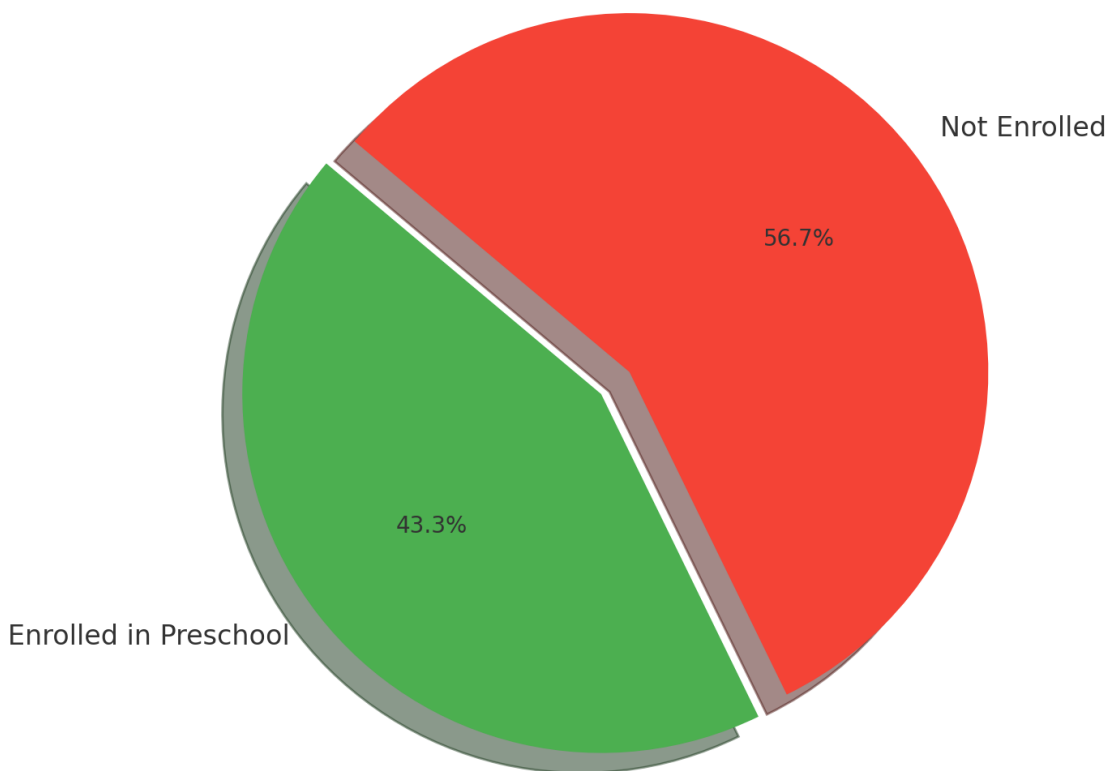
### **A Community in Crisis**

In East Oakland, hundreds of preschool-aged children-especially in Elmhurst, Castlemont, Sobrante Park, and Havenscourt-are missing the critical opportunity to attend preschool. Our community is facing a challenge that affects long-term academic and economic outcomes.

### **What the Numbers Tell Us**

- Estimated total preschool-aged children (ages 3-5): 1,500
- Currently enrolled: 650 children (43%)
- Not enrolled: 850 children (57%)

## Estimated Preschool Enrollment in Oakland District 7 (Ages 3-5)



### Why It Matters

Preschool provides children with a critical foundation for learning and life. Students who attend preschool are more likely to succeed in kindergarten, graduate high school, and earn higher wages. But too many of our children are being left behind.

### RSYF's Response

The Rising Start Youth Foundation is committed to closing the early education gap by:

- Providing tuition-free, high-quality preschool for 3-5 year olds
- Prioritizing underserved neighborhoods and families
- Expanding access one child at a time

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