A. BRIEF OVERVIEW OF AGENCY SETTING

Head Start employs a staff of 86 people who provide education, development and family services in a comprehensive manner to low income families and children.

B. DESCRIPTION OF CLIENT GROUP

Families at or below 100% the federal poverty level.

C. LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Generalist community Social Work with opportunities to assist low-income children and families achieve their maximum learning and social potential.

D. EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS

Students are expected to manage a case load of 18 to 20 families to assist them in establishing goals for life improvement and provide them with the necessary support and services to accomplish their goals. Extensive home visiting is required. Students will become familiar with all aspects of generalist community social work including networking and familiarity with community services. There is a considerable amount of professional paperwork required and computer data entry. Students are also expected to spend time in classrooms becoming familiar with children and their needs and assisting teachers with arranging and facilitating family classrooms meetings and special events for parents. Students also work directly with administrative staff to accomplish agency goals and self-monitoring requirements.