

Quarterly Report April - June 2016

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Our Mission:

Guide By Your Side provides unbiased, emotional support and resources by trained Parent Guides to families with children who have a hearing loss.

Through IL Hands & Voices fundraising, personal donations and funding through the Illinois Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program; Illinois Hands & Voices, Guide By Your Side is able to provide free services to families. Families can be referred to the program from providers or call directly to participate.

If you would like to refer a family, request brochures or make a donation please contact the GBYS Program Coordinator, Carrie Balian.

Program Information:

- 1 Program Coordinator
- 14 Parent Guides (PG)

 Located throughout the state
 Backgrounds vary in communication and amplification opportunities
 - o Guides who are native Spanish speakers
 - o Parent Guide who is Deaf



Guide Spotlight

Anita has been a guide since 2012 and serves Illinois. She has two children both of which have a hearing loss.

She is also deaf herself.

Comparison of ages of children enrolled in GBYS from Jan-Mar 2016 to April-June 2016

	<u>Jan-Mar</u>	<u>Apr-June</u>
Birth-1 year old	50%	50 %
1-2 years old	11%	12.5%
2-3 years old	22%	12.5%
3-6 years old	11%	12.5%
6 years and older	6%	12.5%



GBYS Family Events

Have you "liked" us on Facebook yet? It is the easiest way to stay up to date with news and events! There are several events happening throughout IL in the coming months. Please make sure you share with families who have children with a hearing loss!





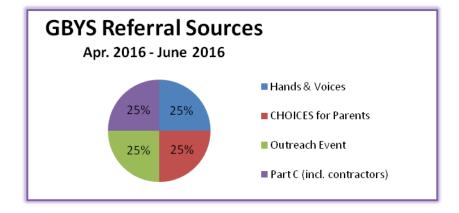


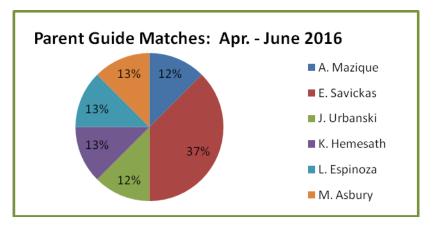
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- 9 Families referred, 8 Families matched
- **Ethnicity** of the families referred:
 - o 25% Latino (2families)
 - o 25% Caucasian (2 families)
 - o 50% African American (4 families)
- > Age of children enrolled in GBYS:
 - o 50% Birth-1 year old
 - o 12.5% 1-2 years old
 - o 12.5% 2-3 years old
 - o 12.5% 3-6 years old
 - o 12.5% 6 years and older
- **Primary Language** in the home:
 - o English 7 families
 - Spanish 1 family
- Newborn Hearing Screening results as reported by the parent:
 - o Did Not Pass 8 children
 - o Passed 0 children
 - o Pass/DNP 0 children
- > Gender of children enrolled in GBYS:
 - o 3 male, 5 female
- Medical History suggestive of:
 - o Condition assoc. with a hearing loss, 0 children
 - o No known syndrome or etiology 8 children
 - o Hearing loss and additional needs- 0 children
- ➤ Unilateral vs. Bilateral hearing loss:
 - o Bilateral 8 children
 - o Unilateral 0 children
 - o AN 0 children
- Insurance information of enrolled families:
 - ALL Kids 1 family
 - Medicaid 2 families
 - o Private 4 families
 - Dual coverage 1 family





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