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MINNESOTA FACT SHEET: HEAD START SEQUESTRATION IMPACT

Head Start has been a national commitment to comprehensive services for poor children since 1965, but the deep cuts caused by sequestration are closing that window of opportunity. Head Start, Early Head Start and Migrant/Seasonal Head Start programs have had flexibility to implement the 5.27% cut - which amounts to nearly \$405,000,000¹ nationally - but all programs were faced with very difficult decisions about cutting services to children, families, and communities.



- Sandra Simar, Head Start and Early Head Start Director, Child Care Resource & Referral

SOURCES

1. \$405,000,000 represents the cut to program budgets. The cut to Head Start overall is approximately \$427,000,000. 2. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. (2013, August 2). 2011-2012 Head Start Program Information Report. 3. Data provided by the Administration for Children and Families and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

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