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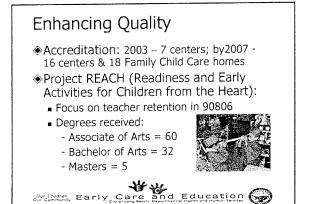
- 2000 Long Beach Strategic Plan 2010 adopted - every child will be healthy, safe and educated
- ♦ July 2003 ECE Community Plan adopted by City Council
- 2004 LB Early Care & Education Committee formed
  - Collaborative citywide endeavor
  - Responsibility to track and implement strategies to achieve goals of the plan

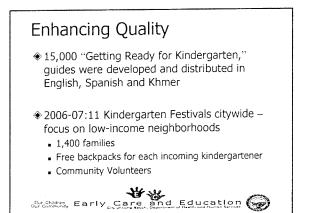
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## Community Plan

- Enhancing Quality: To improve the quality of early care and education for all children ages birth to 12
- Increasing Capacity: To increase the supply of and accessibility to quality early care and education
- Developing Resources: To develop and leverage resources – financial,human, and technological – from public and private sectors for quality early care and education

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# Developing Resources Over \$9.0 million in First 5 LA and LAUP funds have been awarded to LB organizations benefiting children and families As of January 2007, LAUP sites: 13 centers & 13 family child care providers have been designated LAUP sites This represents close to 1,000 pre-k children

## **Developing Resources**

- Four annual citywide collaborative symposia addressing the needs and issues of children zero to five
- Center Directors/Supervisors Networks
- Child Care Coordinator weekly update reaches approximately 250 ECE professionals



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# Enhancing Quality 15,000 "Getting Ready for Kindergarten," guides were developed and distributed in English, Spanish and Khmer. 2006-07: 11 Kindergarten Festivals citywide – focus on low-income neighborhoods 1,400 families Free backpacks for each incoming kindergartener Community volunteers

