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Participating in OOI’s Weatherization Program 118 families now live in homes that are more energy efficient experiencing an average of 30-40% savings each month in energy dollars.

531 students received two nutritious meals per day while learning school readiness skills in a safe learning environment. Of which 254 children transferred into Kindergarten this year.

An annually OOI creates approximately 118 employment opportunities and provides about $650,000 in employee benefits (medical, dental, retirement, legal, etc). OOI is also responsible for contributing over five and a half million dollars in economic activity in our local communities.

1194 elderly received nutritious food and 2060 received utility assistance; critical help to those low income grandparents who are deciding between having heat during the dead of winter, paying for life saving medications or nutritious food.