Iowa Department of Human Services
CHILD CARE CENTER EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE

Name of Center: The Salvation Army KidZone **Enrollment:** 68 **License ID No. (Reapplications)** 21158

Street: 1000 Oregon ST **City:** Muscatine Iowa **Zip** 52761 **County:** Muscatine

Mailing Address: 1000 Oregon ST, Muscatine, IA, 52761

Director's Name: Lt. Macy Gantner **Phone Number:** 563-263-8272

On-Site Supervisor(s): Mary Darnell **E-Mail:** Macy.Theriot@usc.salvationarmy.org

Date(s) of Visit: 06-13-2023

Licensing Visit X **Unannounced Visit** X **Off Year Visit** **Administrative Change**

LICENSING VISITS

New Application X **Re-Application** **NA**

Signed Application (470-0722) Received X **Yes** **No** **NA** **Date Signed:** 08-05-2020

FIRE INSPECTION **State** X **Local** **NA** **Is Fire Inspection Approved?** X **Yes** **No** **NA**

Date Inspected: 05-09-2022

Comments : Does Comply.

LICENSE TYPE: X **Child Care** **Preschool (ages 3-5 meets three hours or less per day)**

Financial Type: Profit X Non-Profit NA

Accredition: Accredited NAEYC NSACA Other X NA

Program Serves: Infants (0-23 mo.) 2 Years Preschool-Age X School-Age

Get-Well Evening Care Special Needs

SCHEDULE: X Year-round School-Year Summer Only

HOURS:	*Year-round*	*School-Year*	*Summer Only*

LICENSE CAPACITY	Infants	2 Years	Preschool	School-Age	Capacity
General				74	74
Summer					0

QRS Rating: N/A

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE:	
X	**FULL** license from 03-15-2022 to 07-01-2024
	PROVISIONAL license from
	DENIAL of initial application
	SUSPENSION of license
	REVOCATION of license

Licensing Consultant: Heidi Brown **Date:** 07-10-2023

I. IF CURRENT LICENSE IS PROVISIONAL, IDENTIFY THE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

N/A.

II. IDENTIFY THE AREAS OBSERVED ON THE VISIT:

I arrived at for an annual visit on 6/13/2022. All program space was observed. The areas observed included: classroom safety/activities, nutritional practices, health and safety practices, playground observations, field trip/transportation practices, and file/policies/notebook review. There are currently 40 children enrolled.

The director is Lt. Macy Gantner. Macy has her Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education. She has worked for the Salvation Army since 2010.

The on-site supervisor is Mary Darnell. Mary has worked for the Salvation Army since 2017.

The center is a nonprofit and overseen by a board of directors. The center is operated in a commercial building. The center uses the gym area.
They accept school aged children. The center is open from 7:30am to 5:30pm for summer programming. During the school year after school care is open from 3:00pm to 6:00pm.

The center fire inspection was completed on 5/9/2022.

The center's curriculum is teacher created. Field trips include: parks, movie theater, west lake, fun city, discovery park, gymnastics, Wildlife Prairie Park, roller skating, Circa 21, and Bloomsbury Farm.

The center provides breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack. The center prepares/cooks snacks/meals in the center. Breakfast and lunch is provided by the school district.

III. IDENTIFY THE OBSERVED STRENGTHS OF THE CENTER:

-The center offers after school care and summer care.
-The center is getting new air conditioning and heating units.

IV. IDENTIFY THE ASPECTS OF OPERATION THAT FALL BELOW THE STANDARDS REVIEWED:

109.7(1): All staff(within first 3 months of employment)Two hours of approved training FOR the mandatory reporting of child abuse. At least one hour of training regarding universal precautions and infectious disease control. Certification in American Red Cross, American Heart Association, American Safety and Health institute or MEDIC First Aid infant, child, and adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) OR equivalent certification approved by the department. A valid certificate indicating the date of training and expiration date shall be maintained. Certification in infant, child, and adult first aid that uses a nationally recognized curriculum or is received from a nationally recognized training organization including the American Red Cross, American Heart Association, American Safety and Health Institute or MEDIC First Aid or an equivalent certification approved by the department. A valid certificate indicating the date of training and expiration date

shall be maintained. Minimum health and safety trainings, approved by the Department. If significant changes occur to content, the Department may require the training be renewed.
-Three staff need First Aid and CPR.
-Seven staff need Universal Precautions and Mandatory Reporter.
-Eight staff need Essentials Training.

109.9(1)a: All files contain statement signed by staff indicating whether they have a criminal conviction or founded child/dependent adult abuse.
-Seven staff need employee statements.

109.9(1)b: All files contain: A signed copy of DHS criminal history record check or any other permission form approved by the Department of public Safety for conducting an Iowa or national criminal history check. A copy of Request for Child Abuse Information. Copies of the results of Iowa records checks conducted. Copies of national criminal history check results. Any Department-issued documents sent to the center related to records check.
-One staff needs and Iowa SING Check.
-Eight staff need National FBI Checks. They have all been rolled but not submitted.

109.9(1)d: All files contain a pre-employment physical exam report completed within six months prior to hire and at least every three years. Physical exams shall be documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report.
-Seven staff need a physical.

109.9(2)a: All files contain sufficient information to allow the center to contact the parent or emergency contact at any time child is in center's care.
-Number not in compliance: 1

109.9(3): Signed and dated Iowa immunization certificates are on file for each child enrolled.
-Number missing: 2
-Number invalid: 1

109.10(15)b: Emergency instructions, phone numbers, and diagrams for fire, tornado, and flood shall be visibly posted and documented at least once a month for fire and tornado. Records shall be maintained for current and previous year.
-No fire and tornado drills were documented in 2022.

109.10(15)d: Daily checks to ensure all exits are unobstructed.
-The hallway was blocked when I was at the center. The hallway must be unobstructed at all times.

109.10(16)a: The center and supervisor shall ensure that staff knows names and number of children assigned. Staff shall provide careful supervision.
-Staff did not know exactly how many children were in their care.
-A child was allowed to walk to the bus from the center door by himself. Staff turned around and talked to her group of children in the hallway and did not provide careful supervision to the child who left to get on the bus.
-A child was given to a staff's mother to take to the bathroom. Staff and the mom both left the child in the restroom. Had the director not been talking with HHS and CCR&R it is uncertain if anyone would have noticed that the child was still in the building.

109.11(3)a: Center shall ensure that: Facility and premises are sanitary, safe, and hazard free.
-The children had access to cleaning supplies/toxic chemicals in the mechanical room, kitchen and on the table by guinea pigs.
-The children had access to sunscreens in children's bags and countertop
-The children had access to hygiene supplies in teacher drawers and storage area.

109.15(5)b: Sanitary and safe methods in food preparation, serving, and storage sufficient to prevent transmission of disease, infestation, and spoilage are followed.
-Animal crackers and fruit snacks were sitting on top of a popcorn box. It was uncovered. There were lots of flies in the room. Trash was overflowing and not covered. Food prep must occur on a table/counter that can be appropriately sanitized prior to each use. Nothing else should be stored on this table.
-Clorox wipes are not appropriate for table sanitizing. The center director must schedule a meeting with their nurse consultant to gain an understanding of cleaning, sanitizing and disinfecting.

V. SPECIAL NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based upon this review, it is recommended that this center remain in Full licensing status. It is important to note, all DHS

licensing standards and procedures must be maintained during the renewal period.

The following agencies are available to provide consultation, support, and educational opportunities:
CACFP: https://educateiowa.gov/pk-12/nutrition-programs/child-and-adult-care-food-program
Child Care Resource and Referral: https://iowaccrr.org/staff/region_5/
Early Childhood Iowa: https://earlychildhood.iowa.gov/
First Children's Finance: https://www.firstchildrensfinance.org/
Healthy Child Care Nurse Consultants: https://hhs.iowa.gov/hcci/consultants
Iowa AEYC: http://www.iowaaeyc.org/
Iowa After School Alliance: https://www.iowaafterschoolalliance.org/
Iowa State University: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/early-childhood
4c's of Johnson County: https://www.iowa4cs.com/

*Note: If you are the Child Care Center Director and you feel something is unclear or unjustly cited, please contact your DHS Licensing Consultant to discuss the issue. The child care director may also send a response which will be placed in the licensing file.

*Note: If you are a member of the general public, there may be additional information contained in the public file. You may contact the DHS Licensing Consultant to inquire.