Stepping Stones Museum for Children

• Children’s museum geared for children ages 10 and under

• Committed to lifelong learning, the content of our programs and exhibits include literacy, art, STEM, culture and health
Yale Cognition & Development Lab

• Focuses on how children make sense of the world around them
• Studies how development leaves cognitive legacies in adults
How and when did the partnership start?

• Introduced to researchers in the Psychology Department via museum board member

• Onsite research with Yale University began in summer 2010
Communication

- Meet once a year to discuss goals
- Most communication is through email
- All scheduling is handled by two people: one at Yale and one at the museum
Location in Museum

• Usually takes place on the museum floor at 1 or 2 tables
• On busy days, it may take place in a classroom
Benefits to the Museum

• Brings in “real science”
• Professional development for staff
• Opportunity for more programming
Benefits to the Visitors

- Engages caregivers in learning about their children
- Allows visitors to witness and participate in the scientific process
- Children participate in a fun activity
Thank you!