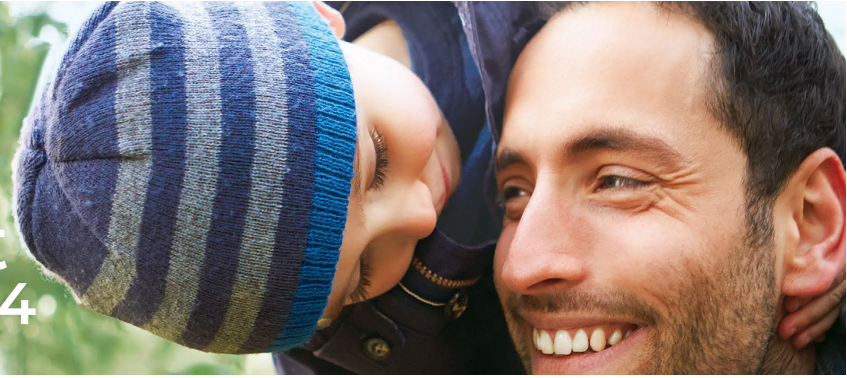


Evaluation Report Congressional District 4



Impact On Adult Participants

2,330 adults in **Congressional District 4** received services through five types of ADCANP/CTF-funded programs: parent education, home visiting, respite care, fatherhood, and public awareness and training. The population served were primarily parents of lower resources, based on work status, education level, and income reported. An additional **489,037 parents and professionals** participated in community awareness programs.

Four primary funding sources provide support:

- The Community Based Child Abuse Prevention Program (CBCAP)
- The Children First Trust Fund (CFTF)
- The Education Trust Fund (ETF)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

An independent Evaluation Team from Auburn University's Human Development and Family Science Department documented the outreach and effectiveness of these programs.

- 57%** Women | **43%** Men
- 79%** European American/White | **14%** African American/Black
- 36** average age
- 44%** reported an annual income of less than \$10,000
- 47%** reported not working for pay
- 25%** reported not completing high school
- 52%** reported a high school degree/GED as their highest level of education

Analyses of data revealed statistically significant improvements ($p < .001$) on many relevant measures of commitment, skill, and knowledge based on average scores from pre-program to post-program for Parenting Education, Home Visiting, and Respite programs.

The outcomes are indicators of protective factors that reduce the risk of child maltreatment and promote individual and family strengths.

ADCANP/CTF-funded programs reduced the likelihood of adults in **Congressional District 4** engaging in child abuse/neglect and enhanced the likelihood of current and future strong and stable families.



Parent Education & Home Visiting

6 parent education and home visiting programs provided support and educational programs to parents. An assessment of **7 targeted outcomes** with **345 participants** revealed statistically significant **improvements** in average scores for:

- Stress Management Skills
- Skills to Manage Maltreatment Risk
- Understanding Various Forms of Maltreatment
- Medical Care Commitment
- Parenting Skills & Child Development Knowledge
- Knowledge of and Commitment to Use Support Services
- Use of Informal Support Networks

Respite Care

1 respite care program provided respite services and parent education. An assessment of **4 targeted outcomes** with **37 participants** revealed statistically significant **improvements** in average scores for all but one outcome (i.e., positive view of child):

- Stress Level
- Positive View of Child
- Knowledge of and Commitment to Use Support Services
- Use of Informal Support Networks

Fatherhood

3 fatherhood programs provided educational sessions and support to non-residential parents. Participants are invited to complete a post-program benefit checklist survey that includes a list of 29 possible improvements/benefits they perceived they obtained from the program. These benefits are reflected in 9 categories, grouped within the five protective factors of the Strengthening Families™ Protective Factor Framework. Results from **146 participants** indicate:

Perceived Benefit Received from Program	Percentage Reporting Improvement
Workforce Development Improvement	73%
Financial Benefit	48%
Greater Access to Community Resources	68%
Improved Basic Needs	28%
Better Adult Relationship Skills	89%
Improved Parenting	90%
Improved Child Functioning	68%
Better Coping Skills	93%
Cooperation with Court System	40%

