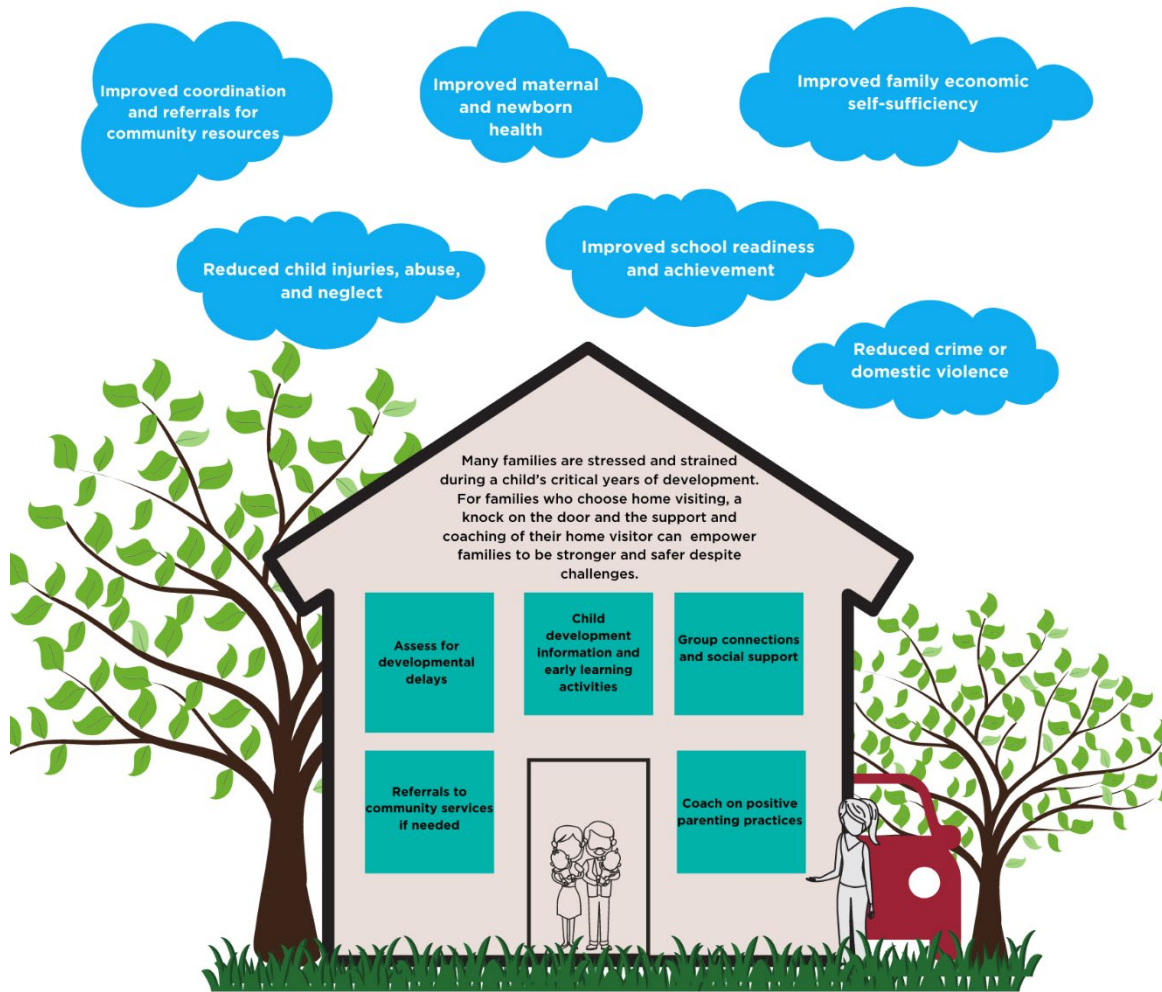




A Family Support—Home Visiting

Home visiting supports families so that they can give their children a strong start. Through mentorship and coaching of trained nurses, parent educators, family support providers, or other early childhood professionals, parents are able to learn new skills we often take for granted—in the safety and comfort of their home. By removing barriers—physically and emotionally—parents and their children can focus on being engaged and ready to learn. The power of home visiting is in the approach of meeting families where they are.



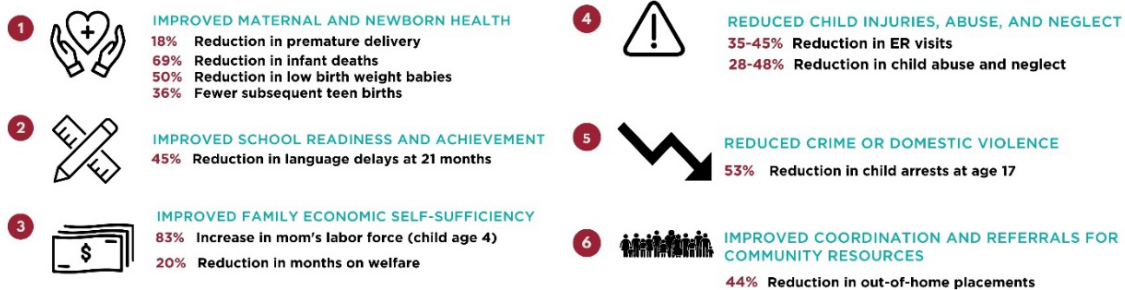
Home Visiting in Texas

The evidence-based programs operating in Texas are included below.

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| | AVANCE | | Home Instructions of Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY) | | Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) | | SafeCare |
| | Early Head Start Home Base | | Family Connects | | Nurturing Parenting | | Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) |
| | Healthy Families America (HFA) | | Incredible Years | | Parents as Teachers (PAT) | | Triple P |

Home Visiting Saves Dollars

For every \$1 invested in home visiting programs there is a return between \$1.80 and \$8.08. Home visiting saves dollars and makes sense. Investments in home visiting programs demonstrate positive impacts and cost savings across two generations and multiple domains. The following outcomes have been demonstrated by one or more evidence-based home visiting programs.



Only 3.8% of those most likely to benefit from home visiting currently have access.



Recommendations

Protect and invest in community-based, primary child abuse prevention programs for children prenatal to age 5. This is when development matters most and the highest ROI is realized through (HOPES) Healthy Outcomes through Prevention and Early Support and (TNFP) Texas Nurse-Family Partnership. (Article II Strategies C.1.4 and C.1.5).



Budget Action: Prevent Child Abuse and Neglect - Invest \$20 million additional dollars in PEI to stabilize and strengthen primary child abuse prevention programs for children under age 5 through **Project HOPES (C.1.4)** and **Texas Nurse Family Partnership (C.1.5)**. This action would support DFPS Exceptional Item #4, DFPS Exceptional Item #7, and Texas Nurse Family Partnership.

Budget Action: Prevent Entries into Foster Care - Ensure available Family First Transition Funds are spent to increase access to evidence based prevention services to families at imminent risk of entering foster care.

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