Zero racial disparities in infant mortality by 2033.

Healthy Families, Mothers and Babies
Arthur R Johnson Community Outreach

North Star

High Infant Mortality Zip Codes

63104, 63106, 63107, 63111, 63112, 63118, 63120, 63133

How much did we do?

Parenting Education

56 Families

7 Parenting classes

Essential Items Distribution

2080 Families served

12 Events

4 Different items distributed

5 Types of referrals

Program Description

This FLOURISH grant funded the “Healthy Families, Mothers and Babies” program at Arthur R. Johnson Community Outreach. This funding supported the family food essentials and household supply programs. Additionally, this program provided parenting education classes to families including programming on safe sleep. This program occurred between February 2021 and December 2021.

Priority Areas

FLOURISH Community Leaders Cabinet identified priority areas they believe will have the most significant impact on improving conditions for Black families. Infant mortality is a complex issue that can't be solved by one organization alone. Below, you will find population level data where FLOURISH is contributing to changes for Black families alongside other organizations. Arthur R Johnson Community Outreach is working to move the needle for the individuals they serve in the areas listed below.

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FLOURISH uses a results-based accountability model of evaluation, because it helps show how collaborative efforts can make an impact on reducing disparities in infant mortality. We focus on how well programs address root causes of the issue and whether Black pregnant and parenting families are better off.

How well did we do it?

75% of parents gained knowledge from the parenting classes

Is anyone better off?

60% of families reported feeling supported
The Arthur R Johnson Community Outreach hosted a Community Baby Shower. We assisted 20 Moms with information about Safe Sleep, Insurance Resources, plus tons of baby items needed the first couple of months of the infant’s life.

Due to illness or being laid off, many families did not have enough of money to buy basic essentials for their infants and children. Through the many resources we provide, we're able to assist the families.

We had challenges with assuring the families that we are an organization that really cares about not only the baby's health, but the mom’s as well.

FLOURISH St. Louis, an infant mortality reduction initiative powered by Generate Health, is bringing together people and organizations across the region to fix the systems that impact the health of Black families. This organization received a FLOURISH grant which was funded by Missouri Foundation for Health.

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