

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PARTNERSHIP

for Children, Youth & Families

2018 Annual Report

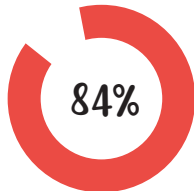
Awarded
\$3.1
MILLION
in grant funds

24
programs &
initiatives
FUNDED

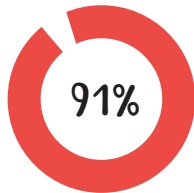
2,579
County residents
SERVED



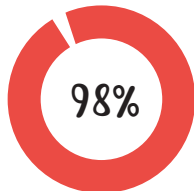
Of the 108 families served in Family Stability Programs obtained or remained in **stable housing**



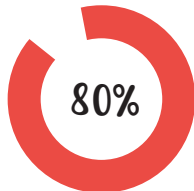
Of families report improved **ability to advocate for the needs of their children**



Of families report they are **better off** for having received Systems of Care services



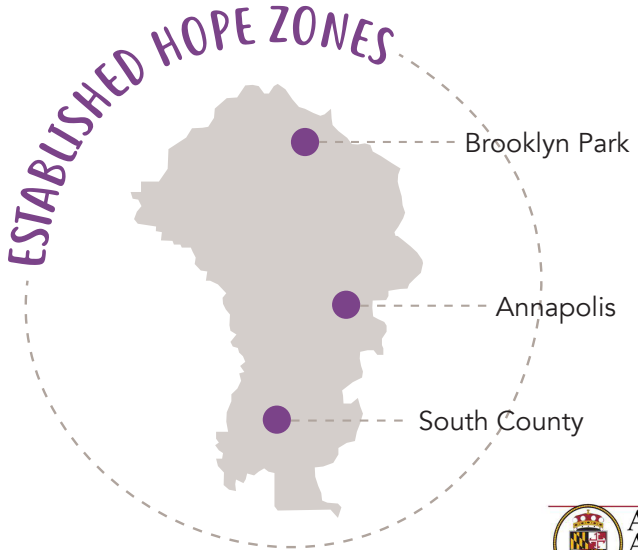
Of children served in BEST 2.0 exhibit a **decrease in problem behavioral issues**



Of youth served in the YES after school program improved in both **school attendance and GPA**

including:
154 Disconnected Youth
166 Homeless Youth
616 Hungry Children
722 Children/Families Impacted by Incarceration

Completed latest versions of **POVERTY AMIDST PLENTY** & **COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT**



Working inside communities to ensure **Nothing About Us Without Us ...**

The Partnership is the County's Local Management Board. We are 100% grant funded. We take a place based, data driven, two-generation approach. We work inside identified communities to:

- Assess needs from the inside out
- Bridge gaps in services
- Fund programs and strategies identified by community residents and supported by data

Our priorities for 2019 are:

1 North County Hope Zone - Community of Hope in Brooklyn Park

- Collaboration with DSS and 150 stakeholders
- Goal to reduce poverty in our highest-need community by 2022

2 Annapolis Hope Zone - Collaborative for Change

- Collaboration with Public Housing Authority, law enforcement and residents
- Goal to reduce youth gun and gang violence by 2022

3 South County Hope Zone - SoCo Hope

- Collaboration with growing core group of 50 stakeholders and residents
- Goal to address access issues by 2022

Making A Direct Impact

In 2016, Mike Wiezbicki, a young Social Sciences teacher at North County High School serving Brooklyn Park, prioritized understanding and protecting the environment as every child's responsibility. Faced with a class of low income youth and one, shared, botany text book, he created a hands-on informal STEM program (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) to vulnerable youth through an agriculture program with a focus on nutrition as well as principles of business. A makeshift greenhouse in an unused storage closet has become modern, urban agriculture.

Elements Developed 2018-19

- Outdoor garden on the school grounds. Youth can grow more produce for the Brooklyn Park Farmer's market. Food is branded as North County Cohort.
- Institution and development of beehives on school grounds
- Fish farming
- Hydroponics in greenhouses inside the school



Systems of Care

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