The Children’s Trust

20 Years Nurturing Greatness

Stories of Impact

Helping Our Youth Develop to Their Fullest Potential

Sheyla C., an 11th grader at Booker T. Washington Senior High, first visited the Trust-funded Overtown Youth Center (OYC) while in elementary school and attended after-school and summer programs throughout her childhood. She has also worked in the OYC’s youth employment program, where she gained valuable career experience while saving money. Her first summer she saved $500, and by the summer of 2022, she had saved $2,000. “Each work experience, I decided to increase my savings goal to see if I could meet or exceed the amount. Attending sessions taught me how to budget and have money for emergencies.”

Giving Parents Tools to Help Raise Their Children

The Alegre family has participated in the Trust-funded enFAMILIA organization’s programs for years. Taking part in enFAMILIA’s Nurturing Parenting Program, which promotes healthy family relationships by improving communication to build a happier, healthier home life for children, has helped mother Pinita Alegre learn parenting skills that she had never been exposed to. “enFAMILIA has given me so much. They taught me what it really means to be a parent – how to help my children develop morally, educationally and socially,” said the mother. “I wouldn’t have learned that with anyone else if they were not there for me.”
More than $162 million supported children and families across Miami-Dade County in 2021-2022

- Youth development: 38%
- Thrive by 5 early childhood development: 22%
- Health & wellness: 13%
- Parenting: 12%
- Family & neighborhood supports: 7%
- Community awareness & advocacy: 4%
- Program & professional development: 4%

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On September 10, 2002, voters overwhelmingly approved the creation of The Children’s Trust by a 2-to-1 vote. As The Trust reaches its 20th Anniversary, it is celebrating the many accomplishments and positive impact it has had, always with a focus on finding additional ways to serve the children and families of Miami-Dade County.

Like the children served over the past two decades, The Children’s Trust has grown over its first 20 years. Its development has been shaped by learning, growth, challenges and successes that have led to a direct impact on millions of lives.

Visit www.TheChildrensTrust.org/20Anniversary to learn more about the work in its first 20 years.
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5 programs in the early childhood quality improvement system served 25,159 children.

4,680 children accessed high-quality early child care and education.

4,944 children under 5 received 7,343 developmental screenings, assessments and early interventions.

Youth development

2,729 youth completed paid summer internships.

30,783 children and youth served in 505 after-school, summer camp and youth enrichment sites.

Nearly 20% report living with disabilities.

98% reported being satisfied with the experience.

1,470 Program Locations
### Health services
- 235,885 visits to school health clinics
- 70,085 students made made

### Parenting
- 11,071 children and youth accessed health, vision and dental care, and injury prevention education through mobile unit service delivery

### Health services
- 1,478 children and parents were helped to access
- $778,503 in tax credit, home energy assistance, SNAP and unemployment benefits
- $1.5 million in federal funds leveraged by The Trust's $600,000 helped provide
- 476,858 meals and snacks in youth programs

### Parenting
- 6,808 families received ongoing parenting supports and behavioral health services from 47 programs
- 10,061 parents attended one-time workshops through the Parent Club
- 36% of families report having at least one child with a disability
- 82% of families increased positive parent-child interactions
- 86% of children improved or maintained appropriate behavior

### Family Supports
- 2,356 families with 4,343 children experiencing significant life challenges received individualized care coordination from 14 partnerships
- 47,408 calls to the 211 Helpline

### Top 5 needs of 211 Helpline callers
- Housing: 12,203
- Mental health / substance abuse: 8,493
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### Books distributed through multiple efforts
- 603,750 books

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