

Early Care & Education/Preschool Programs							
Program Name	Description	Available in Mecklenburg?	Evidence-Based?	Scale	Length of program/Age of Child	Cost	Years Conducted
Abecedarian	Full day care; high quality health care, social services and nutrition; individualized educational activities	No	Yes	Small (n=111)	5 years 0-5 year olds	\$13.9k/yr (2002 \$\$)	1972-1977
Chicago Child-Parent Center	Half/full day preschool program; parents participate twice a month; includes outreach, health services and occasional home visits	No	Yes	Scaled to 24 sites	1-2 years 3-4 year olds	\$5.2k/yr (2001 \$\$)	1983-present
Early Head Start	Promotes healthy prenatal outcomes, enhance the development of very young children, promote healthy family functioning; site and home based	No	Yes	Nationwide	3 years 0-3 year olds	\$10.6k/program (2007 \$\$)	1995-present
Head Start	Universal school-based pre-K program with college-educated, early childhood certified, well paid teachers	Yes	Mixed	Nationwide	1-2 years 3-4 year olds	\$7.1k/program (2007 \$\$)	1965-present
Nurse-Family Partnership	Nurse home visiting program focused on health, well-being and self-sufficiency of parents and their children; home based	Yes	Yes	Nationwide	2 ½ years 0-2 year olds	\$10.6k/program (2007 \$\$)	1977-present

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Perry Preschool	Part day educational services; weekly home visits; high educated teachers	No	Yes	Small (n=123)	1-2 years 3-4 year olds	\$15.2k/program (2000 \$\$)	1962-1966
Reach Out & Read	At every well-child check-up physicians encourage parents to read to their children and receive free books; site based	Yes	Yes	Nationwide	5 years 0-5 year olds	\$40/program (2008 \$\$)	2002-present
Tulsa Pre-K	Universal school-based pre-K program with college-educated, early childhood certified well paid teachers	No	Promising	Small	1 year 4 year olds	\$3.2k/year (2001 \$\$)	1998-present
Bright Beginnings	Early childhood educational services; curriculum is based in part on High/Scope and Creative Curriculum (now OWL), with emphasis on literacy skills	Yes	Mixed	Over 100 classrooms in Meck	1 year 4 year olds	\$5,530/child	Present
More at Four	State funded early childhood initiative for at-risk 4 year olds; designed to prepare them for elementary school; provides high-quality, classroom-based educational program during the year prior to kindergarten	Yes	Promising	Over 100 classrooms in Meck	1 year 4 year olds	\$6,954/child	Present

Home Visitation/Maternal Care Programs in Mecklenburg County ¹							
Program Name	Implementing Agency	Geography	Child's Age at time of referral	# of births to mom	Age of mom	Income & other Criteria	Capacity
Intensive Home Visitation Programs							
Nurse-Family Partnership	Care Ring	Mecklenburg Geodistricts 1 and 4	Pregnant up to 28 weeks gestation	First-time birth	Any age	Low-income	100
Smart Start @ Home/Healthy Families Mecklenburg	Health Department	All areas of Mecklenburg	Pregnant or <2 weeks post-partum (20% can enter after 2 weeks)	First-time parents	Any age	Primarily low-income	100
Services for Pregnant/Parenting women that include home-visitation component							
Adolescent Parenting Program	Communities in Schools	All areas of Mecklenburg	Pregnant or parenting child age 0-5	First time birth	Teen mom up to age 17	Medicaid; enrolled in CIS	20-25
Maternity Care Coordination	Health Department	All areas of Mecklenburg	Pregnant and up to 60 days post-partum	No restriction on number of births	Any age	Low-income Medicaid	NA
Safe Journey	Communities in Schools	All areas of Mecklenburg	Pregnant or parenting child 0-5	No restriction on number of births	Teen mom up to age 19	Demonstrated need; enrolled in CIS	80

¹ This chart is a preliminary matrix of programs and services currently offered in Charlotte-Mecklenburg; information on the effectiveness of the programs listed is currently being compiled by the Larry King Center

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Eastside Parents as Teachers	YMCA	28212, 28215, 28227, 28206, 28205, 28211, 28213	Parent of Child 0-5	No Restriction on number of births	Parent any age	Low-income Latino/Spanish speaking parent	85
Maternity Program	Florence Crittenton	All areas of Mecklenburg (and some areas underserved areas of NC and SC)	Pregnant (residential program)	No restriction on number of births	Mom an age	High risk (e.g., sexual abuse, court-ordered)	129
Sarah's Place	Florence Crittenton	All areas of Mecklenburg	Pregnant or parenting child (residential program)	No restriction on number of births	Teen mom age 14-18	DSS custody	9
Prenatal Parenting Education Program	Florence Crittenton	All areas (plus Cabarrus and Gaston)	Pregnant or parenting child 0 – 3	No restriction on number of births	Mom any age	Former client	NA
Child Service Coordination	Health Department	All areas of Mecklenburg	Parent of child 0-3 at risk for developmental delays or 0-5 with DD diagnosis	No restriction on number of births	Mom any age	Low-income; Medicaid	NA

Right Start at Home	Youth Homes	All areas of Mecklenburg	Pregnant or parenting child 0-5	No restriction on number of births	Teen mom	In or aging out of foster care	20
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