



**Children's
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Missouri's Foundation For Child Abuse Prevention
Strong Families, Safe Kids

Home Visiting in Missouri

Supporting families from pregnancy through early childhood with trusted, community-based care.

Early childhood home visiting is a **FREE, voluntary service** that connects families with trained professionals (often in nursing, social work, education, or other related fields) to support parenting, child development and behavior, immediate needs and resources, and maternal health, among other things!

Who can receive services?

Families with young children, including those who may benefit from additional support or access to services.

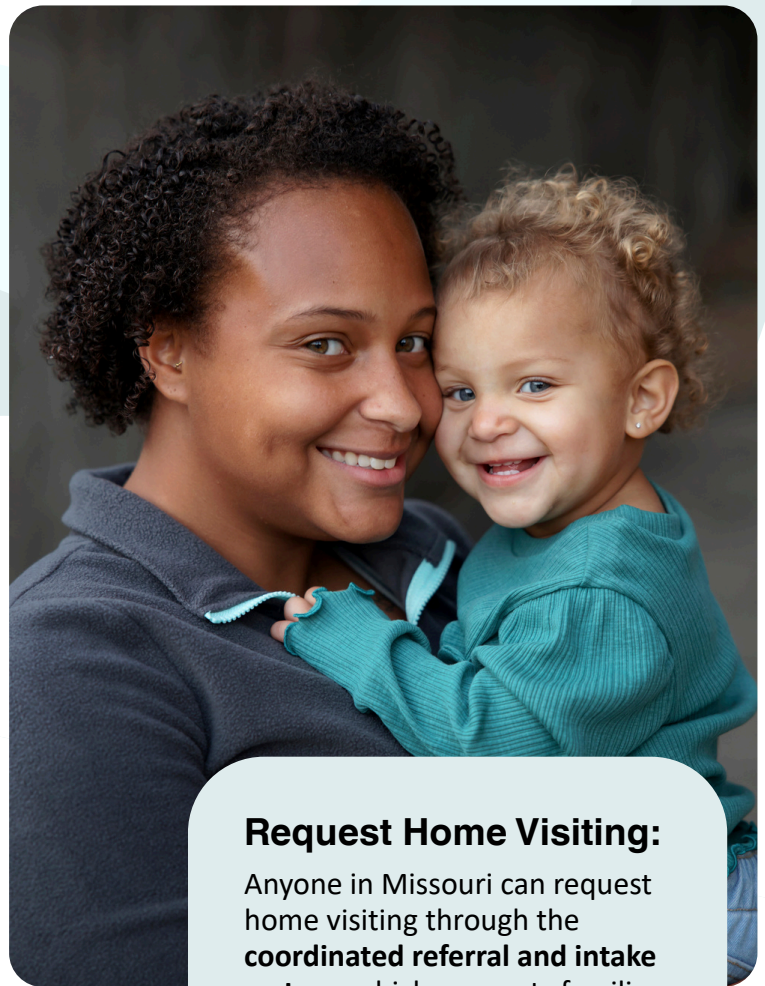
What can home visiting do?

- **For moms:** Improve maternal health and mental health through pregnancy and beyond
- **For babies:** Support healthy child development, early learning and school readiness
- **For the whole family:** Connect families to education, support and community services

What are the impacts of home visiting?

Raising happy, healthy children was never meant to be a one-person or single-family job. We all need support and help from our community social network. Home visiting improves outcomes for moms, babies and the whole family.

Home visitors meet families where they are, building trust that leads to lasting change.



Request Home Visiting:

Anyone in Missouri can request home visiting through the **coordinated referral and intake system**, which connects families and providers to a network of 130+ home visiting agencies across the state:

Visit ctf4kids.org/homevisiting or scan the QR code and:

- Select your county
- Click the orange "Begin Here" Button
- Fill out the referral form on the partnering agency's website
- The home visitor will contact you to set up your first visit!

Get connected:

Learn more or make a referral



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A Closer Look: MIECHV

Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) is a federal home-visiting funding stream serving the state's most at-risk families. The program provides personalized support during pregnancy and early childhood, helping families access resources, strengthen parenting, and support healthy child development.

Services are designed to meet families where they are, offering flexible, relationship-based support that builds trust and promotes long-term well-being.

What does MIECHV offer?

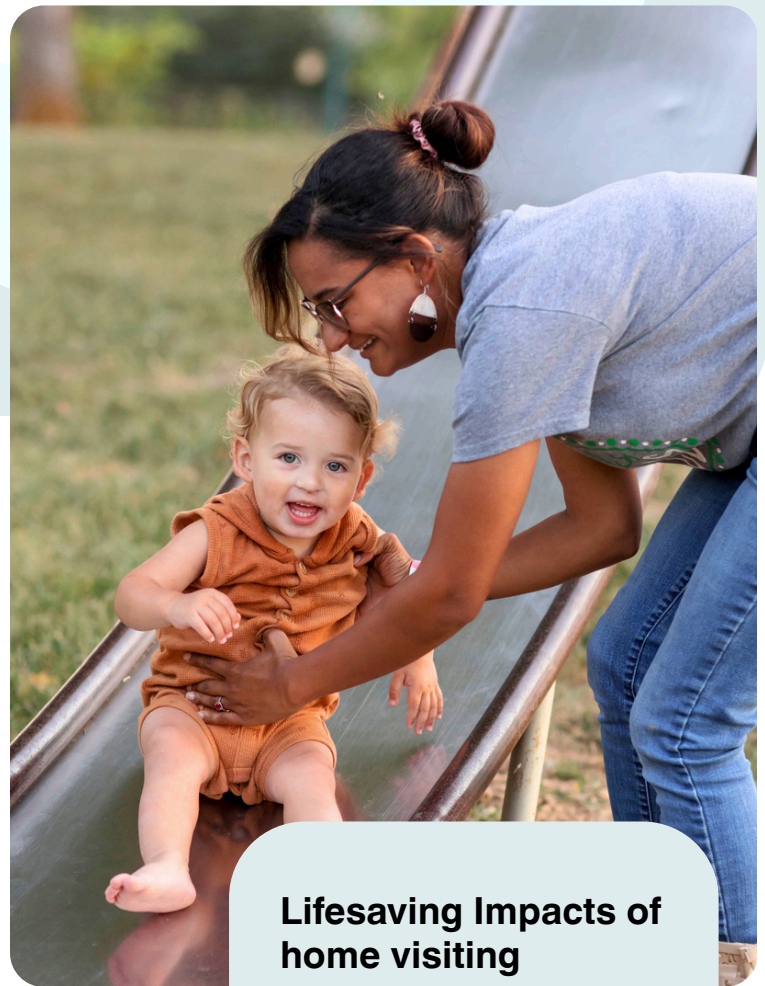
- Improve the overall health of mothers and children
- Get children ready to succeed in school
- Improve families' economic well-being
- Connect families to resources in their communities

What is MIECHV's program impact?

The MIECHV Program helps pregnant women and parents of young children improve their own health and well-being and that of their families. The program does this by partnering trained home visitors with families to set and achieve goals.

Program details:

Service area:	Andrew, Buchanan, Butler, Carter, Dunklin, Jackson, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Reynolds, Ripley, Shannon, St. Louis City, Wayne
Models:	Early Head Start-Home Based Option; Healthy Families America; Nurse Family Partnership; Parents as Teachers
Eligibility:	MIECHV prioritizes low-income (185% federal poverty level or below); pregnant women who are <21; history of child welfare involvement, substance/tobacco use/misuse, and/or low student achievement in the home; children with developmental disabilities; primary caregivers who have or are serving in the armed forces.



Lifesaving Impacts of home visiting

A story from Mercy Building Blocks

During a recent winter storm, a family noticed they were getting headaches as the day went on. Later that night, they woke up from their carbon monoxide detector going off and were able to leave the house and go to a family member's home.

The family says they would likely never have had the alarms had it not been for their home visitor, who supplied them with alarms and educated them about their importance!

*Program Stats:

750 families reached

14 counties served

11,290 home visits

**Program statistics for Federal Fiscal Year 2025*