

SOUTH CAROLINA

South Carolina Family Resource Center Network

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In 2021, the Children’s Trust of South Carolina began convening Family Resource Center (FRC) partners at the state level to foster peer learning, collaborative work, and capacity building for effective service delivery and overall better support for families across the state. The Network utilizes the Standards of Quality for Family Strengthening & Support to guide its community of practice, which are important to effectively engage families and create a sense of their belonging and inclusion.

At a Glance

- Year founded: 2020
- Year joined NFSN: 2020
- Network type: Public Funder-Coordinated
- Network staff: 2 FTE

Network Functions

- Connecting Members
- Training/technical assistance
- Securing/raising funds that are distributed to Members
- Marketing/public awareness activities

Highlights

- A Partner Engagement Associate was hired to support the Network.
- The Statewide Parent Advisory Council launched April 2024 and will support the Network in increasing parent/caregiver engagement.
- The Children’s Trust of South Carolina (CTSC) funded 7 FRCs to implement or expand one of three evidence-based programs including Healthy Families America, Strengthening Families Program, and Triple P.
- 11 FRCs received funding for concrete supports for families including food, infant supplies, internet access and phone bills, emergency housing assistance, past due medical bills, car seats, childcare, school supplies, transportation assistance, and clothing for children, pregnant moms, and work clothing.
- CTSC awarded general operating support to 11 sites as mentor and mentee FRCs to increase the number of FRCs in the state and provide critical operating support to existing FRCs through a 1-year mentorship program that leverages the knowledge and experiences from established family resource centers to developing centers.

Standards of Quality Implementation



STANDARDS
TRAINERS

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CERTIFICATION
TRAININGS

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CERTIFIED
INDIVIDUALS

107

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Network Mission Statement:

The South Carolina Family Resource Center Network works to build capacity of family-serving organizations and promotes the Standards of Quality for Family Strengthening & Support.

Members

- Number of Members: 17
- Type of members:
 - 8 Community-based FRCs
 - 2 School-based FRCs
 - 6 Non-FRC Family Support Programs
 - 1 Other
- Pass through funding: \$366,000
- Pass through funding sources:
 - Federal Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP)
 - Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (MIECHV)

Member Service Areas

- Parenting Support
- Access to Resources
- Concrete Support
- Family Development Services
- Child Development Activities
- Family Economic Success Activities
- Education Activities
- Health/Wellness Activities
- Intentional Multiple Family Member Engagement Activities
- Community Strengthening Activities



Outcomes

- Member evaluations have indicated high levels of satisfaction with Network Meetings with a rating of 95% for meeting facilitation, presentations, opportunities for networking and peer learning.