

Young moms 24 and under, experiencing poverty in Chicagoland,* take powerful first steps toward mobility and family well-being.*

*Chicagoland = The city of Chicago with a focus on the west side, and the western suburbs of Oak Park, River Forest, Cicero, Maywood, Forest Park, Berwyn, Bellwood, and Melrose Park

Foundational Elements

Necessary pre-conditions for the strategies to be most effective

Organizational Culture:

- Family-Centered Coaching mindset, language, & process, grounded in and surrounded by a Racial Equity lens, is embedded throughout all levels of the organization: the family has the strength, ability, and potential to set and achieve their goals, they are in the driver's seat
- Awareness of systemic drivers of inequity, and organization's practices, policies, and approach reflect this awareness

Organizational Operations:

- $\bullet \ \ Partnerships with and procurement from partners who uphold New Moms' FCC and racial equity principles and values$
- Hiring and onboarding practices incorporate racial equity: seek to hire and onboard diverse candidates at all levels, reduce bias throughout hiring and onboarding process
- Staff are trained upfront and ongoing in Family-Centered Coaching Approach, including Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Motivational Interviewing, Trauma-Informed Care, Harm Reduction, Executive Skills, Goal Setting, Financial Capabilities, and Best Practices for Working with Families and reflective supervision
- Staff performance evaluation includes fidelity to FCC and completion of individual DEI goals
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Organizational Programming:

- Programming co-designed and co-developed with staff ideas, input, feedback, voice & choice
- Data collection is equitable and confidential, and measures and identifies areas of strength and opportunities for improvement

^{*}Mobility & family well-being = economic success, being valued in the community, feeling of power and autonomy



Intended Young moms 24 and under, experiencing poverty in Chicagoland,* Impact: take powerful first steps toward mobility and family well-being.*

Strategies



Targets



Outcomes



Impacts

New Moms' program actions Immediate result of the strategies

Result by end of program engagement

When Mom turns 30

Individualized & Group Family-Centered Coaching Grounded in Racial Equity

Environment

- Create a safe, trauma-informed physical space
- Provide housing & other basic needs
- Create positive and affirmative community
- Facilitate connections to community resources and social supports
- Employ behavioral science-informed, age- and academicallyappropriate technology, tools, and materials
- Provide cash supports: wages/incentives/transfers
- Provide Spiritual Formation supports
- Display strengths-based, growth-orientated, and culturally and racially representative visuals and materials
- Celebrate strengths and successes
- Create regular opportunities for participant input, co-design, voice and

Knowledge

- Screen for and provide education: Parenting, child development, financial, Executive Skills, social skills & networking, mental, reproductive, & physical health, education and employment pathways
- · Elicit reflection and feedback on program design and delivery implementation

Practice

- · Practice: Parenting, money management, modifying the environment/mitigating ES weaknesses, goal setting and tracking, social skills & networking, literacy & numeracy, employment
- Co-create program design & delivery improvements with participants

Systems-Building

- Disseminate best practices to the field
- Partner with young families & key stakeholders to advocate for 2Gen systems change grounded in racial equity

Goal Progression & Achievement

- Increase feeling of safety, trust, and quality of relationship for participant with New Moms
- Increase access to community resources: financial institutions, income supports, child care, mental/physical health care, job opportunities
- · Increase knowledge of:
 - Parenting practices (child development/self-regulation and self-esteem, identify triggers, set limits, sustain routines)
 - Social skills and identifying/accessing social supports and connectedness
 - Money management (systems/institutions, financial values, preplanning and tracking expenses in a budget)
 - Mental, reproductive, and physical health
 - Executive Skills (their own, resulting behaviors)
 - Setting "good fit" SMART goals and tracking progress
 - Educational and career pathways and action steps
 - Literacy & numeracy
- Increase feelings of connection with spirituality, faith
- · Increase feelings of voice and choice
- · Increase housing stability
- Increase employment experience and income
- Increase goal progression

Goal & Milestone Achievement

- Increase engagement with community resources: financial institutions, income supports, mental/physical health, job opportunities
- Increase practice of:
 - Responsive parenting skills (developmentally appropriate practices, set limits, set and maintain routines)
 - Building social capital and connectivity
- · Financial stability, savings, debt reduction
- · Mental, reproductive, and physical health engagement/home
- · Using Executive Skills to set goals, modify the environment, and mitigate weaknesses
- · Educational level and school enrollment
- Job attainment and 1-year retention rate
- Stable housing attainment and retention
- · Increase feelings of:
- Self-efficacy, power, belonging
- · Spiritual hope, healing, and well-being
- Decrease stress
- Increase Milestone achievement
- · Increase in child healthy development
- · Increase in child educational readiness

Family Well-Being

Mom

- · Improved:
 - Economic mobility
 - · Responsive parenting
 - Core life skills
 - Feeling of power and autonomy
 - Feeling of belonging

Child(ren)

- · Improved:
 - Healthy development
 - Educational achievement



Whole Family

- Improved:
- · Family well-being
- Positive relationships
- Social capital and connectedness



Systems

- · Improved:
 - · Access to institutional support
 - Justice and racial equity in policymaking

- Engage in equity-grounded policy & advocacy at all levels



- Increase in awareness of New Moms' work
- Increase voice of young families at policy and advocacy tables
- Increase policy and advocacy partnerships
- Mom increases:
- Social capital
- Feeling of power and autonomy
- Decrease in barriers to access supports



Moderators

For whom & in what context

- Fidelity to FCC mindset, equity, & strategies Education/work history and status
- Motivation & engagement
- Understanding of institutional/individual bias
- · Quality/duration of relationship with participant
- Racial/language concordance with participant
- Age of mom & child(ren) Moms
 - Number of children
 - Pregnancy status · Multi-program enrollment
- Housing status
- Participation, duration, & persistence in group & 1:1 coaching



- Accessibility of family-supporting public benefits
- Level of bias / discrimination in institutions
- Affordable childcare & transportation accessible
- Public support for family-supporting policies