

# EARLY CHILDHOOD

## Children's Coalition Early Head Start

Providing quality child care for children from birth through age three at 5 centers & 2 partner sites in Ouachita Parish

**132**  
CHILDREN SERVED DAILY

## Child Care Connections

Helping parents find quality child care, and providing training and technical assistance to child care providers

**1,271**  
TEACHERS TRAINED ANNUALLY

## Community Networks

Coordinating enrollment of all early childhood care and education programs and implementing Act 3

**104** SITES PARTICIPATING IN COORDINATED ENROLLMENT

## Kids 1st Morehouse

Connecting systems that impact families to create improved developmental outcomes for children ages 0-3

**800**  
FAMILIES SERVED

## Pre-K Expansion

Oversight of two high-quality Pre-K classrooms in a child care setting in conjunction with Monroe City Schools + one in Union Parish Schools

**60** CHILDREN SERVED IN MONROE CITY + UNION PARISH SCHOOLS

## Ancillary Teaching Certificate

Teacher preparation program designed to prepare teachers working in publicly funded Early Learning Centers to obtain the Early Childhood Ancillary Teaching Certificate

**59**  
GRADUATES

# HEALTHY LIVING

## Al's Pals

Teaching preschool children the social-emotional and resiliency skills to make healthy choices in Jackson, Ouachita, Morehouse, Union, Franklin and Monroe City Schools

**2,221**  
CHILDREN SERVED 2X PER WEEK

## Bully Proof

Anti-bullying campaign focused on educating parents, students and teachers on how to be proactive in preventing negative behaviors

**2,000**  
CHILDREN SERVED

## U-ACT

A coalition in Union Parish that addresses underage drinking and prescription drug abuse including two National Prescription Take-Back Days and partnership with ULM College of Pharmacy

**27**  
STUDENT AMBASSADORS

## Mental Health Consultation

Educating teachers + parents on developmentally appropriate practices that foster healthy development

**14** SITES SERVED IN LINCOLN PARISH UNION PARISH OUACHITA PARISH MOREHOUSE PARISH CALDWELL PARISH

# YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

## SOS: Signs of Suicide

Helping middle school students to recognize signs of depression and suicide in themselves and others

**2,500**  
STUDENTS TRAINED ANNUALLY

## Adolescent Reproductive Health

Building a coalition to help identify and meet the reproductive health needs of adolescents

**1** OUACHITA PARISH

## Ouachita Youth Summit

320 students from 34 schools in Ouachita Parish identified by teachers/counselors join to learn leadership skills and collaborate on youth-led community projects

**320**  
STUDENT LEADERS

## 4th JDC Youth Services Advisory Board

Hosting the 20-member board dedicated to meeting the needs of youth at risk of entering the foster or justice system

**2** OUACHITA PARISH MOREHOUSE PARISH

## Love 146: Not a #Number

Child sex trafficking + exploitation prevention curriculum for middle school students

**1,000**  
STUDENTS TRAINED ANNUALLY

# PARENTING

## MORE4U

Supporting pregnant and parenting teens in Union + Morehouse Parishes through Nurturing Skills for Teen Parents

**30**  
PREGNANT TEENS SERVED MONTHLY

## Family Resource Center

Offering Triple P Parenting classes (3-week session), Family Life Skills for any parent and teens aging out of the foster system and Nurturing Parenting classes (16-week session)

**350**  
FAMILIES SERVED

## Time to Talk

Brings accurate and appropriate information from state and local experts about issues that affect children, so parents can understand and communication with and about them

**2** KEDM BAYOU LIFE MAGAZINE

## Family Garden

25 raised-bed garden and outdoor learning center open every 3rd Saturday of the month promoting healthy eating, positive family interactions and garden-based learning and play

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE



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# SAVE THE DATE

Super Saturday is held every third Saturday of the month from March - November.

**October 19, 2019**

Super Saturday  
Family Garden

+

Dia de la Familia | Union Parish  
Lake D'Arbonne State Park

**October 23, 2019**

Bully Proof Awareness Day

**October 26, 2019**

National Prescription Take-Back Day  
9 locations

**November 6, 2019**

Ouachita Youth Summit  
University of Louisiana Monroe

**November 16, 2019**

Super Saturday  
Family Garden

**December 31, 2019**

School Readiness Tax Credit Deadline

**March 18, 2020**

Annual Meeting

**May 9, 2020**

Children's Coalition Dragon Boat Festival  
Corner of Loop + Forsythe Rd. | Monroe

**May 16, 2020**

Dia de la Familia Ouachita Parish  
Forsythe Park

**June 6, 2020**

Summer Spectacular  
West Monroe Convention Center

For more information visit:  
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# ONGOING EVENTS AT THE CHILDREN'S COALITION

## Child Care Connections

Provides weekly 2-hour classes that are free to most early childhood educators and available for a small fee to anyone interested in early childhood care and education. Check the online schedule for weekly classes or call for a quarterly calendar.

## Family Resource Center

Offers Triple P Parenting classes (3-week session), Family Life Skills for any parent and teens aging out of the foster system and Nurturing Parenting classes (16-week session). Check online for the schedule or call 318-509-8922 to register.

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

## Super Saturdays

Join us in our family garden from 9AM to noon to help us maintain our 25 raised-beds while learning about healthy eating, enjoy positive family interactions and garden-based learning and play. Or drop in and clean up one of the five Early Head Start playgrounds the third Saturday of every month from 9AM to 12PM. Sign up on our website at [childrenscoalition.org/volunteer](http://childrenscoalition.org/volunteer).

## Early Head Start Rock-n-Read

Are you ready to make a commitment? Volunteer to "rock and read" to our infants and toddlers 1 to 2 hours a month. Background check provided. Call 318-450-3398 for more information.

# SUPPORT OUR MISSION

## Membership

Join today - your gift helps underfunded programs like Signs of Suicide, Jus4Me, Bully Proof, Nurturing Fathers, Youth Development and Healthy Living.

## School Readiness Tax Credit

Louisiana businesses can receive a dollar-for-dollar refundable tax credit on Louisiana state taxes up to \$5,000. For more information, contact [sfloyd@childrenscoalition.org](mailto:sfloyd@childrenscoalition.org)



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