



Center for  
Transforming Lives  
From Poverty to Prosperity. Together.

# Early Childhood Education



Education is the single most effective tool for breaking the generational hold of poverty – especially early childhood education (ECE).

However, only 26% of homeless children and 49% of all children entering kindergarten in Tarrant County are ready for school.

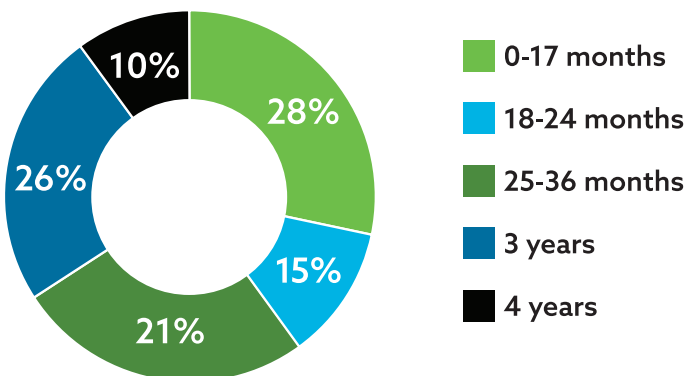
Center for Transforming Lives provides affordable, year-round, literacy-rich education at our three child development centers, including six partner sites, throughout Tarrant County. In addition to traditional childcare, Center for Transforming Lives offers **Early Head Start** and **Head Start**.



Our Early Head Start program educates children newborn through 36 months providing classrooms with low child-to-teacher ratios, individualized care, healthy daily meals, ample outdoor time and social strengthening activities. Wrap-around services include health care navigation, mental health supports and parenting education.

Our Head Start program includes the services offered above with a focus on developing the social-emotional, cognitive, physical and language skills children need for a successful transition to kindergarten. Because young children need nurturing, low-stress environments filled with language, learning, physical activity and positive social interactions, all ECE classrooms are child-centered, with one-on-one attention and support for each child.

## AGE DISTRIBUTION OF CHILDREN SERVED IN FY2024



## 2024 BY THE NUMBERS

93%

OF CHILDREN MET OR  
EXCEEDED DEVELOPMENTAL  
GOALS AND ARE ON TRACK  
TO BE READY FOR SCHOOL

29%

OF PARENTS REPORTED INCREASED  
EMPLOYMENT STABILITY

657

CHILDREN EDUCATED

14%

OF CHILDREN EXPERIENCED  
HOMELESSNESS

\$12,030,797

BUDGET

\$442,103

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