

# Home Visiting Program

## Texas

**Texas Home Visiting** is funded in part through federal investments from the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Home Visiting Program), and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services to at-risk pregnant women and parents with young children.

The Home Visiting Program, which builds upon decades of scientific research, provides voluntary, culturally-appropriate, individually-tailored supports to families in their homes, including providing information about children's health, development, and safety, and when appropriate, referrals to support services.

Through federal grants from the Home Visiting Program, in fiscal year 2015, home visitors in Texas:

- made 40,073 home visits to 3,470 parents and children in 3,327 families;
- enrolled 1,684 new parents and children to the program; and
- served families living in communities in 18 counties across the state, or 7% of Texas counties, of which 4 counties, or 22%, are rural.

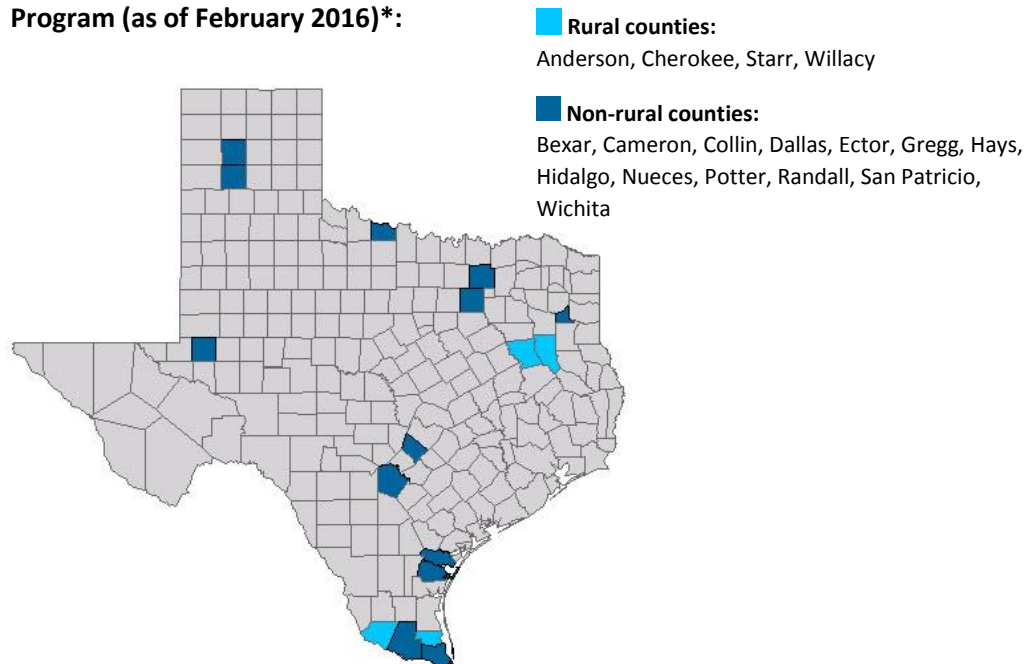
The Home Visiting Program in Texas:

- leveraged federal funds to increase local investment;
- expanded comprehensive Home Visiting systems into 6 new communities; and
- provided a robust statewide training program.

Like all Federal Home Visiting Program grantees, Texas uses home visiting models that are proven effective. Texas leverages federal funds to implement the following evidence-based models to serve children and families across the state:

- [Nurse-Family Partnership](#)
- [Parents as Teachers](#)
- [Early Head Start](#)
- [Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters](#)

### Counties with home visiting services funded by federal grants from the Home Visiting Program (as of February 2016)\*:



### More about Texas:

[Texas Home Visiting](#)

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The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program is administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) in close partnership with the Administration for Children and Families (ACF). The Program supports at-risk pregnant women and families, and helps parents of children from birth to kindergarten entry tap the resources and hone the skills they need to raise children who are physically, socially, and emotionally healthy and ready to learn.

Research shows that home visits by a nurse, social worker, early childhood educator, or other trained professional during pregnancy and in the first years of life improve maternal and child health, prevent child abuse and neglect, increase positive parenting, and enhance child development and school readiness.