

**Initiative:** Healthier Beginnings

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## **Program Summary**

To provide "at risk" young mothers and mothers-to-be in Lincoln Parish with mentoring-based resources that promote healthy lifestyles through effective mentoring relationships, educational resources, and development of client's ability to make good decisions.

## **Grant Objectives:**

The primary goals of the Mentoring of Moms program are as follows:

- 1. Expose "at risk" young mothers and mothers-to-be to health family lifestyles.
- 2. Build a trust relationship between the volunteer and clients.
- 3. Understand the unique needs of the young mother-to-be (and her baby) and help guide her to positive solutions for meeting those needs.
- 4. Encourage mother-to-be to seek adequate pre-natal care and participate in proper nutrition.