

IMPROVING BIRTH OUTCOMES— WHAT IS NEXT FOR MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH?

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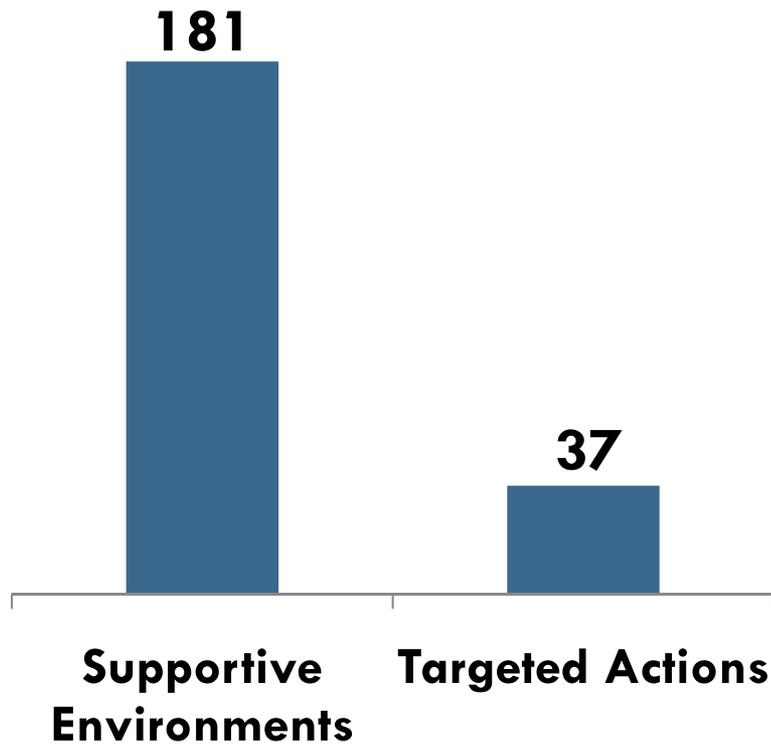
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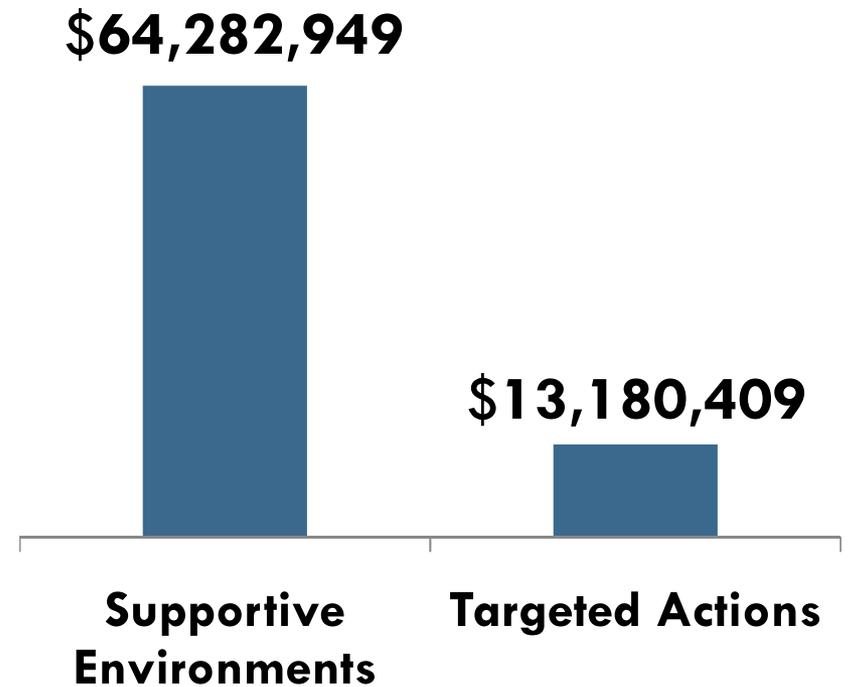
The W.K. Kellogg Foundation supports children, families, and communities as they strengthen and create conditions that propel vulnerable children to achieve success as individuals and as contributors to the larger community and society.

Kellogg Foundation Support for Improving Birth Outcomes over the Past Five Years

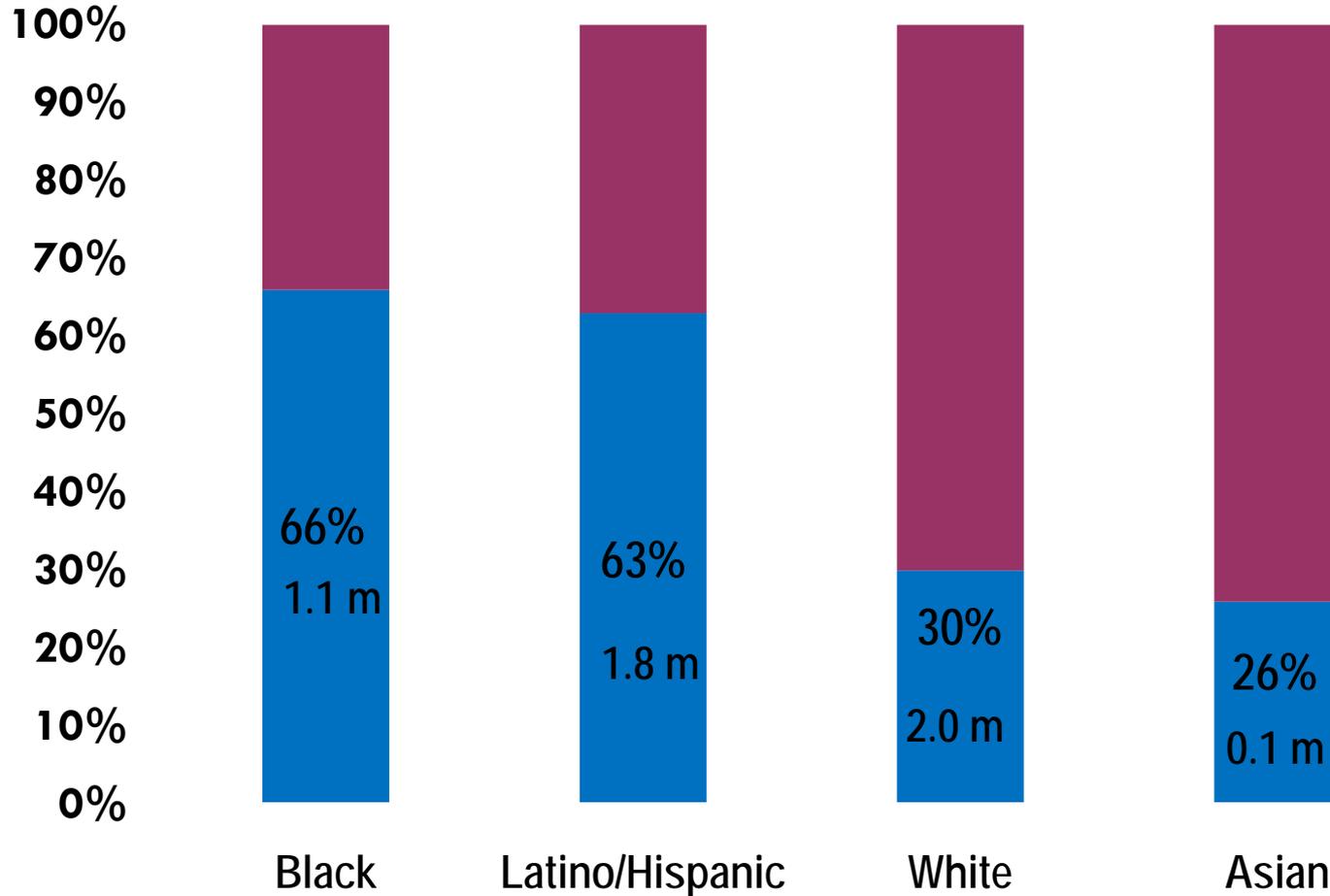
**Number of Grants
2004 through 2009**



**Amount of Funding
2004 through 2009**

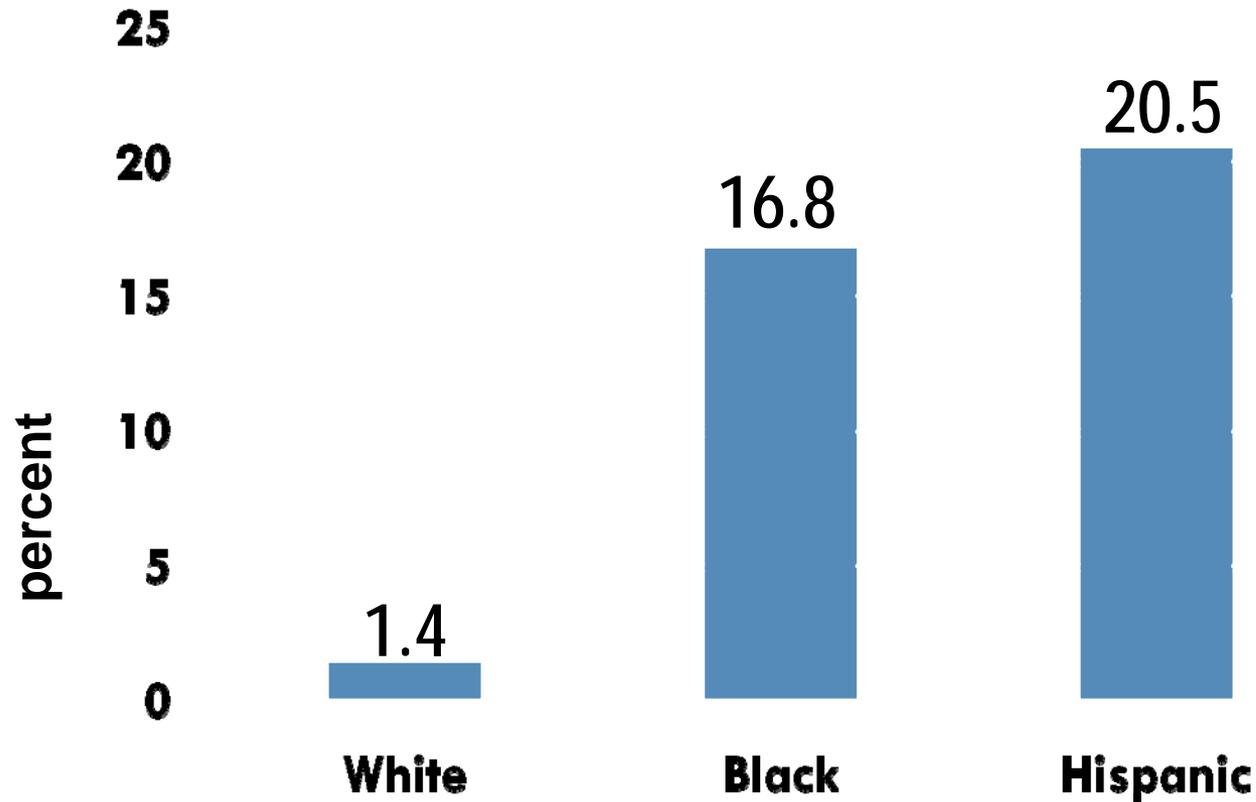


Percent & Number of Infants and Toddlers in Low-Income Families, by Race/Ethnicity



Source: Douglas-Hall, M. Chau, & H. Koball (2006). Basic facts about low-income children birth to age 3. Retrieved online at [National Center for Children in Poverty](#)

Children experience double jeopardy when they live in BOTH poor families and poor neighborhoods



Resilience:



- An ability to recover from or adjust easily to misfortune or change
- In military terms: Resilience is a character attribute that reduces the chance to receive critical strikes
- In psychology, it is the positive capacity of people to cope with stress and catastrophe