THE DATA SHARING PROJECT
Improving student services and outcomes by providing critical evaluation and continuous improvement support.

A collaborative partnership among Forsyth Futures, The Forsyth Promise, and Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools.

The Forsyth Promise

WHEN WE COMMIT TO IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF OUR EDUCATION-BASED SUPPORT SERVICES, STUDENTS ACHIEVE MORE — IN SCHOOL AND IN LIFE.

We envision a data-driven community that invests in rigorous continuous improvement supports. Over time, such investments ensure that K-12 education-based services are high-quality, that a clear return is made on investments in student supports, and that resources are used efficiently and effectively to improve outcomes for children and youth.

The Data Sharing Project (DSP) provides a clear, consistent value to Forsyth County's early and K12 educational systems.

▶ The DSP is a major community benefit; making it possible for our partners to receive high-quality evaluation services that many would otherwise not have access to.

▶ The web platform is a valuable tool for partner agencies, providing case management and an overview of performance for students in their program.

▶ Secure sharing of student data for evaluation purposes enables a centralized, consistent process for community agencies to obtain student information and consistent monitoring and tracking of student participation.

PARTNER AGENCIES ON THE DSP WEB PLATFORM

Our web platform provides a central repository to record and track program data. Partner agency staff can view and access student-level school system data about children enrolled in their program.

UNCOVERING VALUABLE NEW INSIGHTS

This novel approach provides insight into performance, attendance, and discipline and dives deeper to examine process and social factors that contribute to student success.

IMPROVING AND ADAPTING

Staff assist partner agencies with understanding data and answering key questions with rigor; distilling insights into an actionable continuous improvement plan with key performance indicators and attainable goals.

11,000
STUDENTS SERVED

The Data Sharing Project (DSP) has served more than 11,000 Forsyth County students since 2018. We are currently working with 8,300 students across nine partner organizations:

Big Brothers Big Sisters, Crosby Scholars, Forsyth Tech: College Lift, Imprints Cares, Latino Community Services, Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club, WS/FCS, YMCA, YWCA Best Choice Center

What Our Partners are Saying...

MONA LOVETT, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF CROSBY SCHOLARS

Having the Data Sharing Project as a community resource will allow Crosby Scholars to focus our dollars differently as we refine our evaluation process. Program evaluation is important, but many smaller non-profits do not have the resources and expertise within their organizations to carry out this needed work. The Data-Sharing Project provides access to this service giving us the opportunity to better measure outcomes and impact.

JASON LAGESSE,
GRANT AND EVALUATION MANAGER, YMCA OF NWNC

Through the Data Sharing Project (DSP), we're able to see, in real time, what's actually going on with our students' academics and their behavior. We use this information to make programming decisions, plan, and make adjustments to fit the needs of the kids in real time. Before the DSP we'd have to go a whole year and see if we got lucky in choosing the right programmatic approach. The DSP helps us not just create something and hope that it works, but to identify, track, and monitor specific needs and follow up to make sure we are providing the students we serve with successful interventions.

MARILYN ODOM,
VICE PRESIDENT YOUTH SERVICES,
YWCA BEST CHOICE CENTER

Best Choice Center's partnership with the Data Sharing Project (DSP) is as close to perfection as we can get. All of the critical information we're in need of, the DSP is able to provide: things like conduct and even tardies — which we didn't even realize the impact that tardies could have! We've been very pleased with our participation and being able to see how our students are doing across the board.