Outcomes and Impact

The Mercers' Better Outcomes for Families and Carers funding helps projects to make a real difference to the lives of children, young people and their families.

Who Benefits?

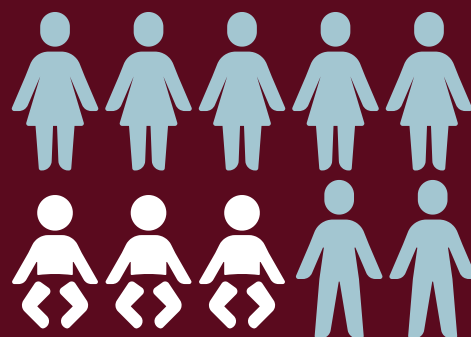Around **18,000 people** each year, including:

4,510 identified parents

4,351 identified children and young people

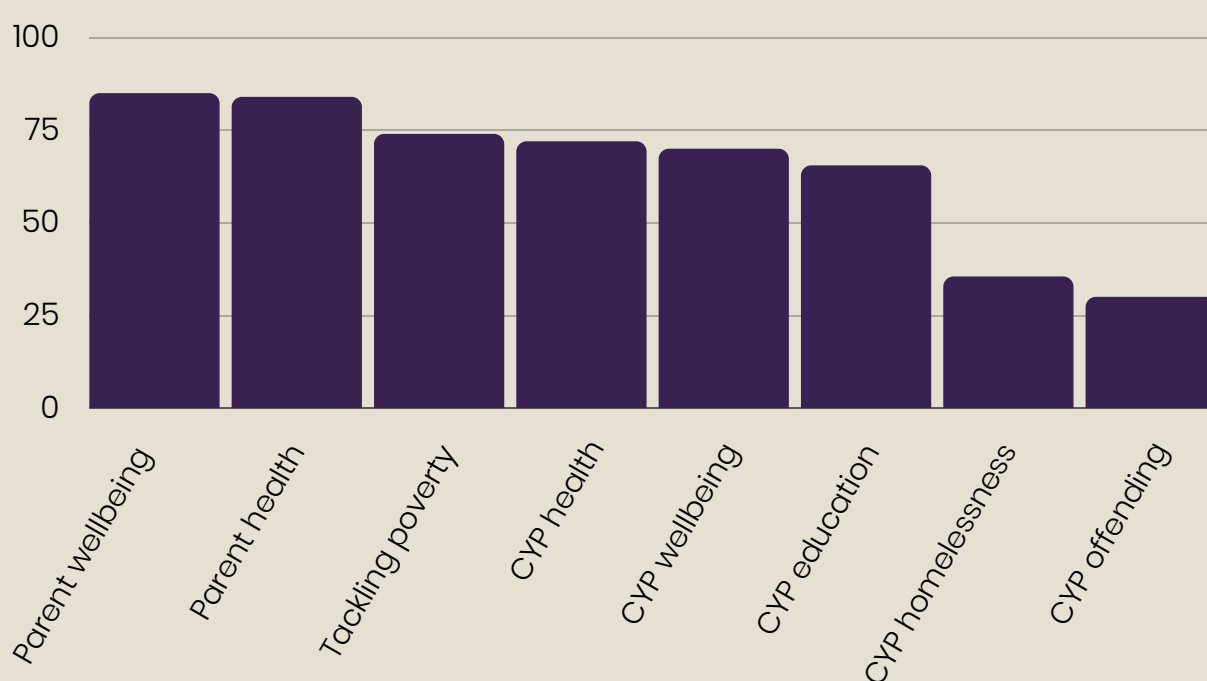**1,045** parent-carers

2,080 staff and volunteers

6,963 others, including the wider community

What Outomes are Projects Achieving?

Projects do work that affects many different areas of families' lives...

Key outcome areas and % of projects working towards this (CYP = children and young people)

Some outcomes for whole families

Conflict is reduced;

Families function better;

Families are more stable;

Immigration status is regularised;

Families move out of poverty;

Families are socially connected;

Housing situation improves;

Families feel less isolated and/or marginalised;

Women and children escape violence.

Some outcomes for parents and carers

Less stressed and anxious;

Get respite breaks;

Improve language skills;

Improve self-confidence;

Improve financial stability;

Become more independent;

*Parents/carers of disabled children are more assertive and better able to deal with school and assessment systems.*

Some outcomes for children and young people

Able to play and learn with others;

Recover emotionally from domestic abuse;

Able to recover better from trauma and loss.

"I feel like we've got our kids back"

"You helped us find a way to cope as a family"

To what extent is Covid affecting what projects are achieving?

Too early to say **2.9%**

Some extent **29.4%**

Significantly **67.7%**

Not at all = 0%; Unsure = 0%
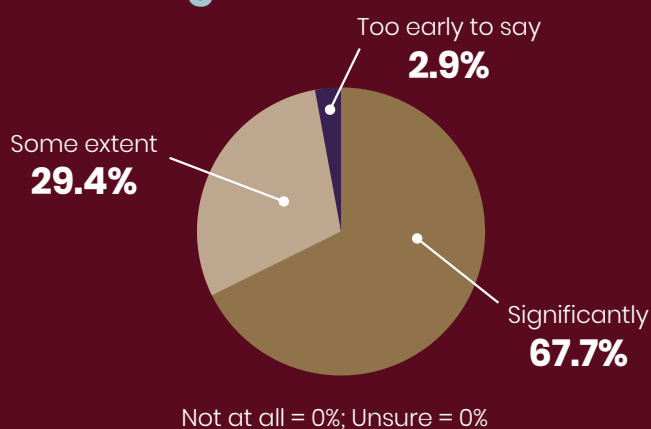
The funding also helped create 1,289 full-time equivalent paid jobs and 841 FTE volunteer roles.

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