

The Epidemic of Absent Fathers



Why are dads and father figures so important ?

When dads and father figures are connected early, they're more likely to stay involved during important development years, which can reduce behavior challenges and increase scholastic achievement.

If my child grows up without me, he or she is more likely to live in poverty, suffer emotional problems, face abuse, go to prison, drop out of high school and abuse drugs and alcohol.



The Extent of Fatherlessness



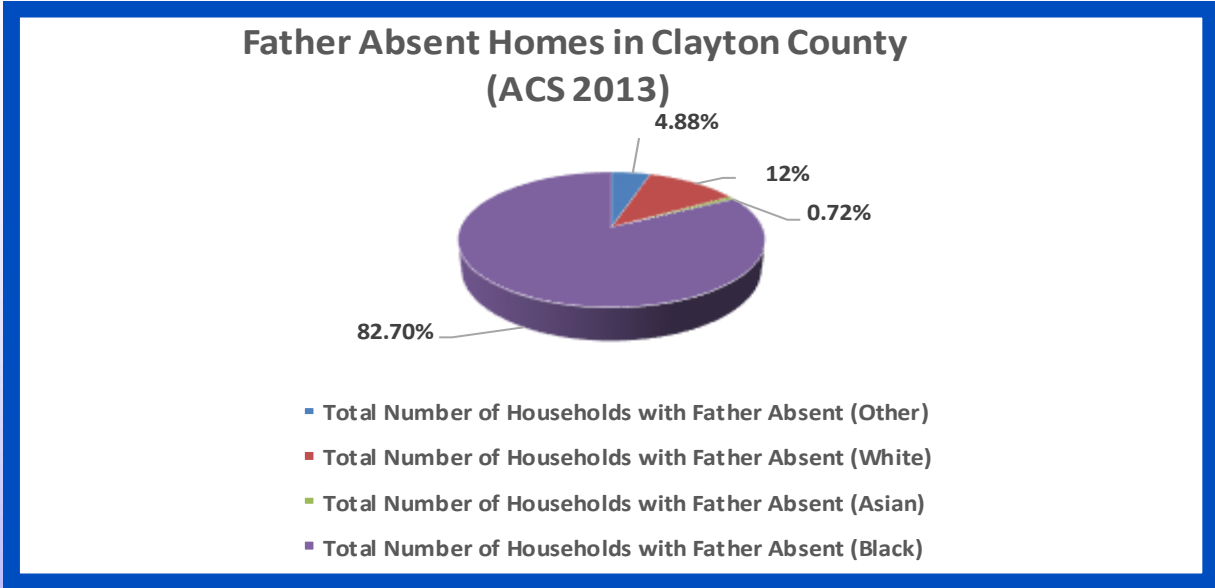
Abuse



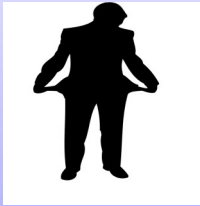
Incarceration



Emotional Problems



Substance Abuse

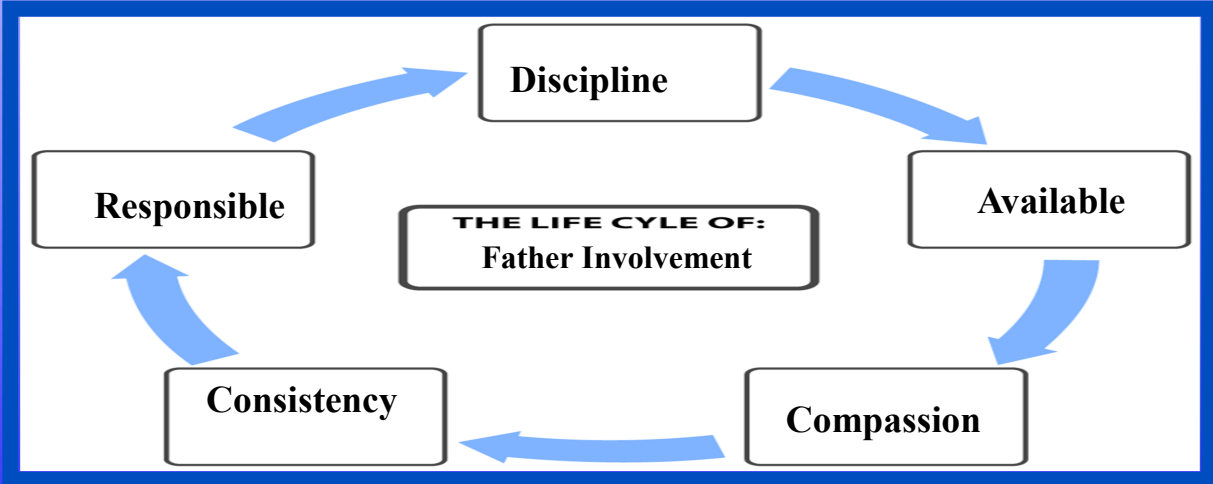


Poverty



High School Drop Out

Time to Change the Cycle



*American Community Survey (ACS)