20 Year Time Line for Baltimore Healthy Start

The United States ranked 22nd in the world in infant mortality when the Healthy Start Program was launched in 1991, and Black babies were dying at more than twice the rate of White babies. Baltimore's infant mortality rate at the time was 19.6. Target Areas ranged from 22 to 22.9 per 1000 live births.

1991 - The Baltimore Healthy Start Program was launched.

1990 - Baltimore City Healthy Start was awarded the first Healthy Start Grant.

1993 - The Healthy Start Program was expanded to two new communities.

1995 - The Healthy Start Program was expanded to four new communities.

1997 - The Healthy Start Program was expanded to eight new communities.

2000 - The Healthy Start Program was expanded to 16 new communities.

2005 - The Healthy Start Program was expanded to 24 new communities.

2007 - The Healthy Start Program was expanded to 26 new communities.

2009 - The Healthy Start Program was expanded to 28 new communities.

2011 - The Healthy Start Program was expanded to 30 new communities.

2012 - The Healthy Start Program was expanded to 32 new communities.

The Healthy Start Program has been successful in reducing infant mortality and improving the health outcomes of infants and their families. It has been recognized as a model program for other communities to follow.