

African American Child Care Task Force

Improving Quality Care for African American Children

Mission Statement: *The African American Child Care Task Force (AACCTF) works to ensure that all children are safe, healthy and have access to quality early childhood programs.*

Objective: *To effectively make systematic changes to policies to improve the quality of child care and early learning services for African American children in Martin Luther King County.*

Who is the African American Child Care Task Force?

The African American Child Care Task Force (AACCTF) is a group of professionals working in early care and education. The AACCTF came together in 1990 to identify and address issues relating to quality care for African American Children in Seattle and Martin Luther King County.

History

In 1991, the AACCTF embarked in a participatory action research project with support from the King County Child Care Program, the National Black Child Development Institute and Black Child development Institute-Seattle Affiliate. The project consisted of five major components:

- ***Survey of Child Care Providers***
- ***Curriculum Consultant***
- ***Child Care Summit***
- ***Community Forum***
- ***Release of the Needs Assessment and Action Agenda***