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02 Events	Trainings, Classes and Celebrations
03 Our Services	Take a look at how our programs have impacted the community
04 Closing	What to Expect for 2024 & Questions

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01 About **GPS**

Who We Serve



Languages Available: Somali, Amharic, Tigrinya, Arabic, Spanish, Darsi, Farsi, Pashto, Oromo, Bambara, Tagalog, French, English, and many more

New Staff in 2023



Imee Pajimula

Doula Services Coordinator



Ayan Hassan

East African Case Manager



Binta Niang

Community Midwife

New Staff Changes in 2023



Yasmin Mahamed

Programs Manager



Denise Felipe

Perinatal & Lactation Program Manager

2023 Grants/Partnerships



WA State Department of Health

Birth Equity Project (BEP)



Serving the Afghan refugee community





King County Best Starts for Kids (BSK)

Lactation & Perinatal Support Services (LPSS) & Home-Based Services (HBS) Pacific Hospital
Preservation &
Development Authority
(PHPDA)

Doula Advocacy Project & Black Bundle of Joy (BBJ)







Strategic **Planning**

In March 2023 GPS began the Strategic planning process aimed at:

- Transforming our mission and vision
- Setting up GPS 5 year Goals
- Strengthening operations

This 6 month process involved working with our SP Committee (Consultant, GPS Staff & Board Members) as we collected feedback from our community partners, clients we service and staff (full/part time & contracted)



Strategic **Planning Process**







Mission **statement**

To create culturally responsive pregnancy and parenting experiences for Black, immigrant, and refugee families.

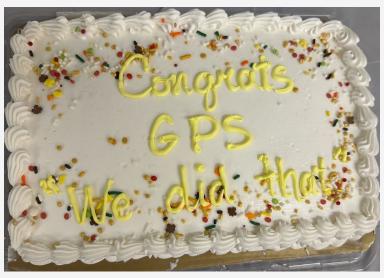
Our Vision

Every mother and baby survive and thrive through pregnancy, labor, and beyond



Strategic Planning Celebration





GPS & NCH Project

Postpartum Doula Project

From March to July 2023, GPS partnered with NeighborCare Health Seattle Clinics for a short-term project that aims to provide Postpartum Doulas.

83 Hours of Postpartum Doula Support Provided to families in Seattle.





Lactation Peer Support Training

In June 7th-9th 2023, GPS Hosted a 3-day in person training that covered the basics of lactation support for GPS Contracted Doulas and NeighborCare Health perinatal clinic staff. Facilitated by Yodit "Judy" Jewett, IBCLC and Ceci Cardova, CM & IBCLC.

9 Participants 24 Hours of Lactation Education Provided

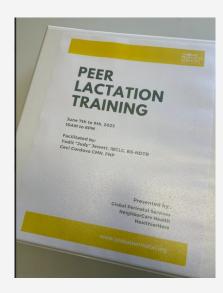


Lactation Peer Support Training











02 GPS Events



Doula Cafe: TENS Unit Training

In April 2023, GPS hosted our Doula Cafe in person by offering a TENS (*Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulation*) Unit Training Facilitated by Kim James.

10 attendees were at the training



GPS Community Cafes

In May 2023, GPS held 3 focus Community Cafes aimed at community members sharing their experiences with health providers in King County during pregnancy, delivery, postpartum, pediatrics and family practice.

\$70 stipend and lunch were provided

In Partnership with Child Mortality Prevention Program at Public Health – Seattle & King County **GPS Staff**

May 22nd, 2023

African American

May 23rd, 2023

Immigrant & Refugee

May 24th, 2023

22 Participants were able to share their experiences

GPS Focus Groups Photos









Black Breastfeeding Week Celebration



In August 2023, GPS hosted our annual celebration of Black Breastfeeding week. This year our theme was honoring and pamerring mothers with yummy food and giveaways.

Over 20+ attendees were at the event

Black Breastfeeding Week Celebration









Graduate Practicum Projects

GPS has become a partnering site for the University of Washington School of Public Health. In 2023, GPS worked with 3 Graduate Students complete their practicum project.



GPS Needs Assessment

Ayan facilitated an organization wide needs assessment that was used for program development and Strategic Planning

Attitudes on Breastfeeding Project

Lauren created a survey to capture data regarding breastfeeding during the formula shortage in 2022.

Dua conducted virtual interviews to capture qualitative data on people's choices

BIPOC Birthworkers Needs Assessment

GPS partnered with Perigee to hold a BIPOC Birthworkers Needs Assessment for Central and Eastern Washington

We have conducted multiple interviews with birth workers over Zoom.

Final Report Coming Soon!

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O3 Programs & Services



Our Programs/Services



Doula Support



Case Management



Child Development



Perinatal & Lactation



Parent Support Groups



GPS Doula Certification



Doula Services

Community Based, Birth Doula, & Postpartum Doulas



Community-Based Doula

Long Term (up to 1 year after birth)

2 Trained and Certified Doulas

Language Available: Somali

Birth Doula

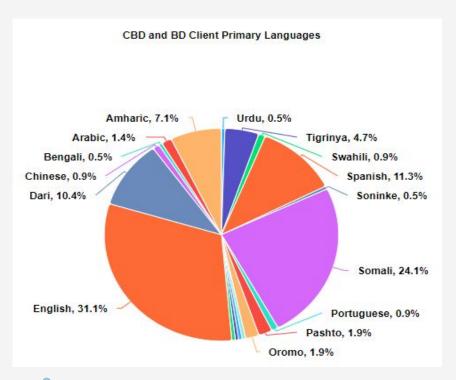
Short Term Doula Support (about 1-3 months)

18 Labor Support Doulas Trained and Certified Doulas

13 Languages Available: Somali, Amharic, Tigrinya, Farsi, Dari, Pashto Arabic, Bambara, Oromo, Spanish, Swahili, French & English



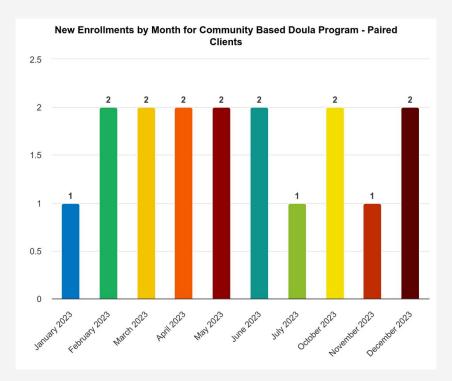
Primary Languages



In 2023, we served over 146 clients with a Primary language other than English.

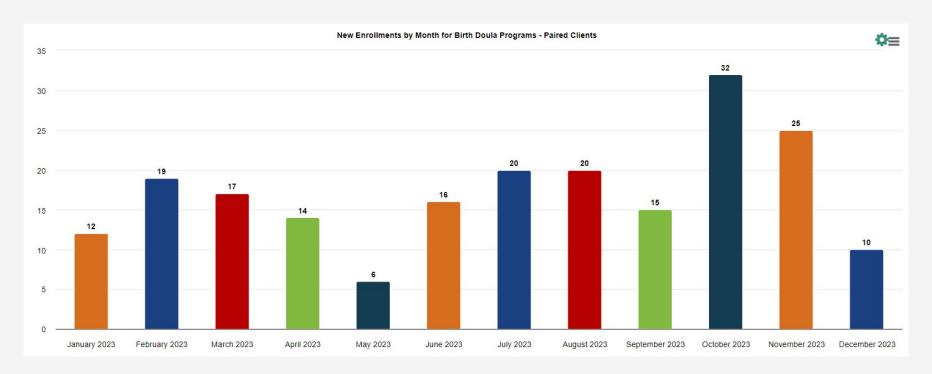
- 24.1% Somali speakers
- 11.3% Spanish speakers
- 10.4% Dari speakers
- 7.1% Amharic speakers
- 31.1% English speakers

New Enrollments CBD Program



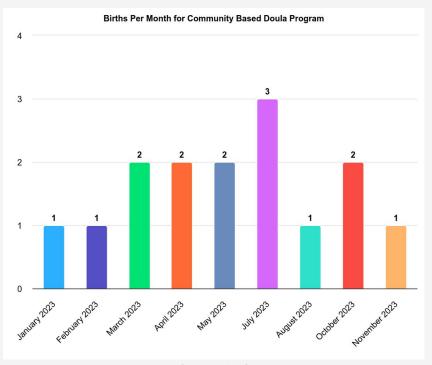
Total: 18 Enrollments

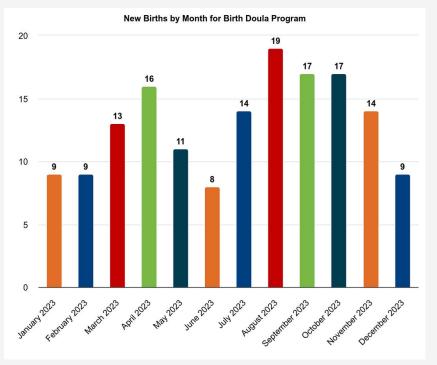
New Enrollments BD Program



Total: 206 Enrollments

Births per Month

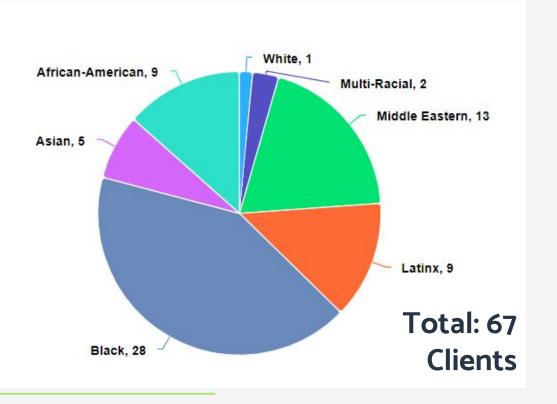




Total: 15 Births

Total: 156 Births

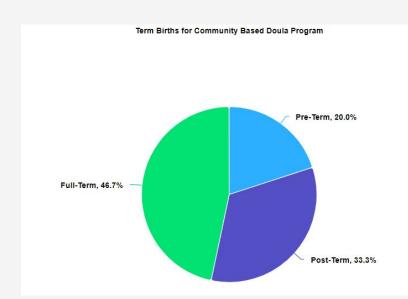
First-Time Parents



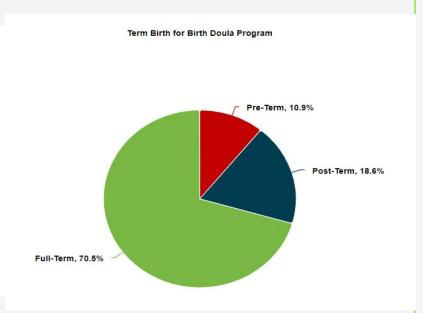
Method of Births

	BIRTH DOULA (156)	COMMUNITY- BASED (15)
Vaginal	71.8%	80%
Planned C-Section	10.9%	0%
Unplanned C-Section	17.3%	20%

Preterm Births

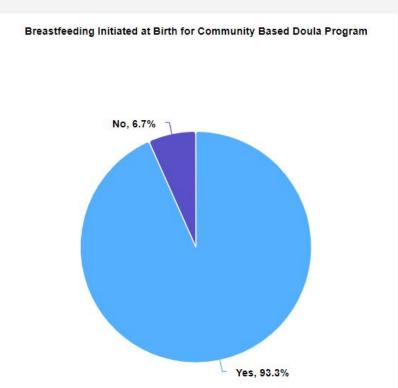


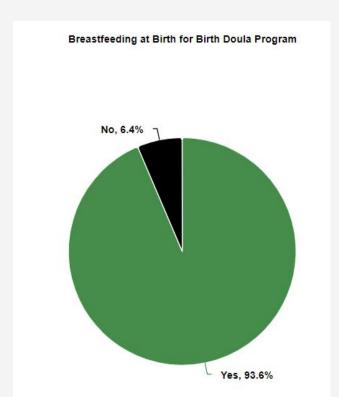
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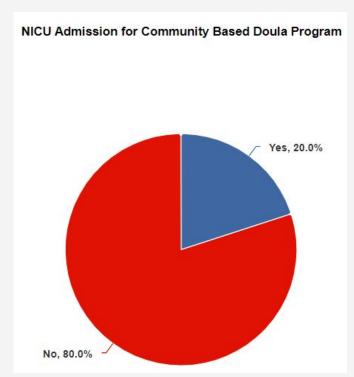
Preterm: 17 out of 156 Births

Breastfeeding Initiation

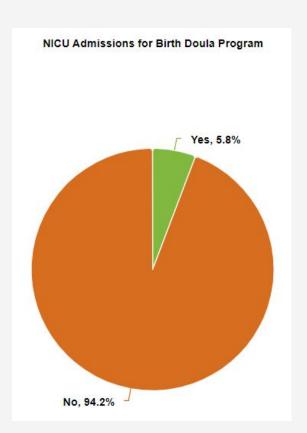




NICU Admission



Admissions: 3 out of 15 Births



Admissions: 9 out of 156 Births



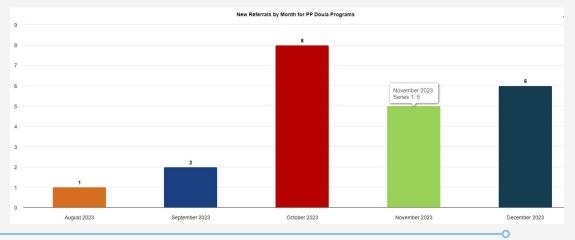
Postpartum Doula

20hr ostpartum Doula Support for parents with newborns and babies up to 6 months of ageP

POSTPARTUM DOULA SUPPORT



The program launched in August 2023 to provide 20 hours of Postpartum support for parents needing assistance with their babies





Case Management

Afghan, East African & African American Communities

Case Management

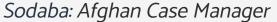
Case Management program include providing birth doula services, postpartum support, childbirth education, lactation support services in person or virtual, and as a resource connector, referring to other supports.

Eligibility:

- Immigrant, Refugee or Black or African-American
- Child within prenatal to 5 years old
- King County and Pierce County (Washington State)
- For Doula Program: Low-income, Medicaid recipient, or DSHS recipient

Perinatal Case Managers



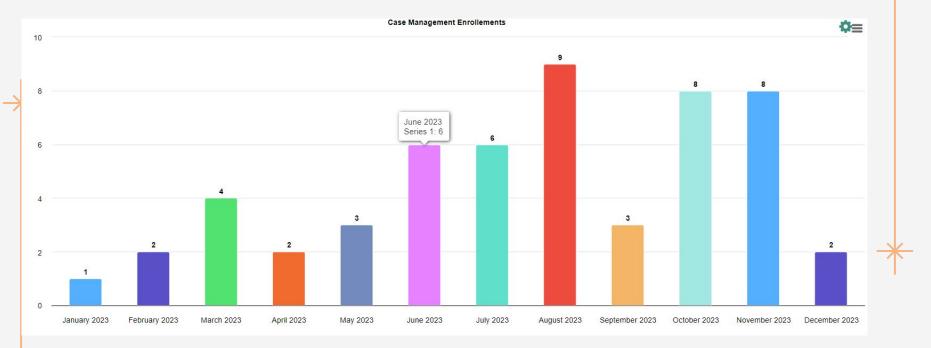




Ayan: East African Case Manager

- Serve clients with children within the ages prenatal and up to 5 years old.
- Provides wrap-around services to expecting parents of the African American,
 East African and Afghan community.

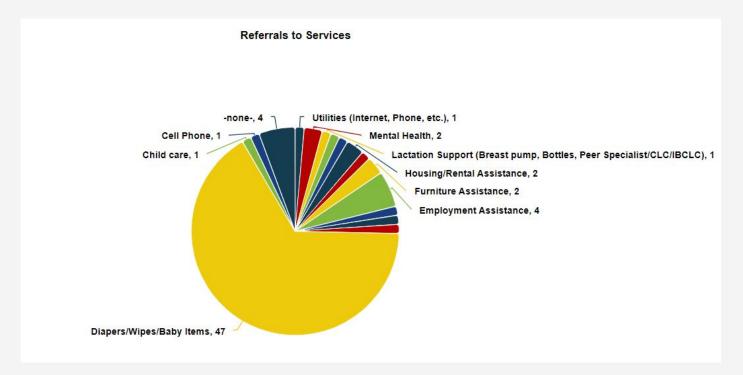
CM Enrollments



Total: 54 Clients

Data as of 01/09/2024

CM Referrals to Services



Total: 71 External Referrals



ASQ-3 Screening

Child Development Program

What is ASQ-3?

ASQ-3 stands for Ages and Stages (version 3) and is a set of simple questionnaires about a child's development. These questionnaires look at how the child is doing in areas such as language, movement, and social skills. ASQ-3 can help identify your child's strengths as well as any areas of challenge. Early detection and intervention of possible developmental delays have a positive impact on health outcomes.

As of July 2023, we have reduced the number of ASQ-3 screenings due to our grant period ending. But GPS is still offering screenings interested families.



ASQ-3 Screenings

Top 3 Languages Spoken:

Dari: **66.7%**

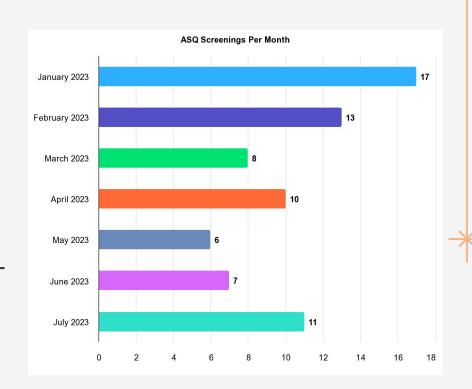
English: 14.6%

Oromo: **8.3%**

72

Screenings Completed in 2023 \$2,160

Total Amount of Stipends Provided





Perinatal & Lactation

Birthworker Lactation Mentorship & Easy Access Clinic

Perinatal & Lactation

GPS offers free access to culturally relevant and congruent lactation and perinatal supports for families who would lack access otherwise.

We also expand the field of lactation consultants that reflect the community and have the expertise to serve families equitably.

Programs

- Easy Access Clinic
- -Weekly Hybrid & Drop-in Lactation Lounges
- -Lactation Hotline (+1 888 260 1426)
- -IBCLC Home Visiting
- -Childbirth Education Classes

P&L Data

Easy Access Clinic •

Clinic Days: 10 Clients Served: 14 Opened on Nov. 9th

IBCLC Consultations •

of Clients: 5

Lactation Lounge

of Sessions: **40** # of Attendees: **128**

Childbirth Education

of Sessions: **5** # of Attendees: **18**

Lactation → Mentorship

of Sessions: 2 # of Attendees: 18 Began in Nov. 2023





Support Groups

Support Groups & Classes

Mom's Corner

12 Sessions

Facilitator: Zeinab Farole Topics Covered: Intergenerational Trauma & Women's Health # of Attendees

184

Oromo Sister's Corner:

16 Sessions

: Ummalkhayri Abdala Topics Covered: Self Care and Family Outdoor Days

Afghani Sister's Group:

10 Sessions

Facilitator: Sodaba Pahlavi Topics Covered: Driving and Employment Resources 560

216

49

Father-to-Father Support Group:

6 Sessions

Facilitator: Ilyas Sheikh-Ali Topics Covered: Men's Health & Fatherhood+Trauma



GPS Doula Certification

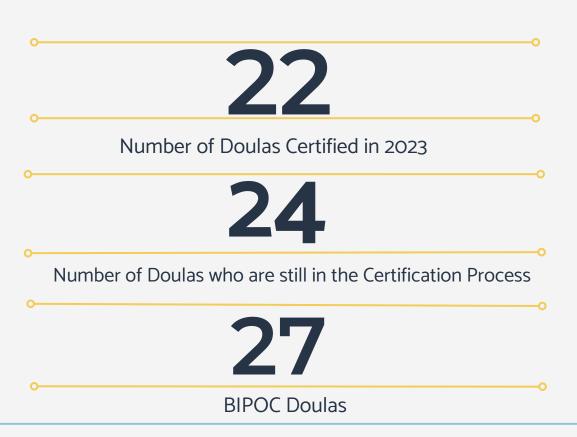
About GPS Doulas Certification



GPS Doulas is a program that is part of Global Perinatal Services.

Mission: To provide an excellent doula certification pathway based on a competency assessment that ensures that the doulas are competent and professional in their profession roles.

Vision: That all birthing people who want doula services should have access to doula services. Doulas are seen as an essential part of healthcare. Doulas are paid fair compensation. Doulas have access to continuing education opportunities.





04 Closing



What to Expect in 2024



Strengthening Current Programs



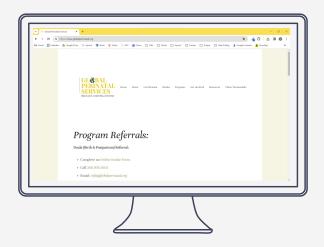
Hire a Mental Health Provider



More GPS Doula Certifications



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Referrals to GPS Doula Programs

Complete an online intake form:

Doula (Birth & Postpartum) or Case Management:

https://a106944.socialsolutionsportal.com/apricot-int ake/8f2c5fa5-99e6-4fdc-9aa0-53c94963e557



Referrals to GPS Easy Access Clinic



Schedule Online:

https://gpseasyaccessclinic.setmore.com



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