

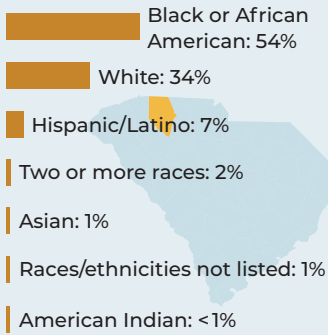
Southside Promise Blueprint

Spartanburg, South Carolina

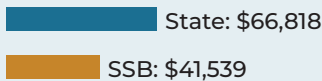


U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
2024 Early Implementation Grantee

Community Composition



Median Household Income



Population Below Poverty Level



Southside Promise Blueprint (SSB) is a cradle-to-career initiative to boost college attainment rates and ignite an active citizenry. Spartanburg Academic Movement is an experienced backbone organization that unites schools, community organizations, local government, and businesses to improve economic vitality and quality of life in the footprint. SSB uses collective impact to maximize the contributions of cross-sector partners that support SSB by embracing community-centered decisionmaking, consistent communication, and data and evaluation toward the common goal of improving outcomes.



Early Childhood Education

Over 25% of kindergartners demonstrated limited readiness in 2022–23.

Partner Institute for Child Success will conduct a needs assessment to evaluate a lack of affordable, high-quality child care options.



K–12 Education

45% of middle school students were chronically absent in 2022–23.

Check & Connect mentors will monitor student attendance and performance and provide support when needed.



College and Career Readiness

25% of 2022–23 high school graduates were college and career ready.

The College Success Navigator program will help students enter promising postsecondary pathways.



Family and Community Supports

58% of children and families experience adverse childhood experiences.

SSB will provide specialized training to teachers so they can better identify and respond to students with adverse childhood experiences.