## Why Active Fathers Are Great for Children

Children with present, engaged dads face fewer risks and are more likely to grow up healthy, safe, and successful.

Involved Fathers Help Reduce the Risk Of:

- Infant loss in the early months
- Babies being born underweight
- Physical neglect or mistreatment
- Emotional or behavioral challenges
- Accidental injuries at home or in the community
- Childhood obesity and related health issues
- Struggles with school achievement
- Early or unplanned teen pregnancy
- Encounters with the juvenile justice system
- Substance use or addiction
  - Involvement in criminal behavior
    - Youth Suicide

