Domestic Violence Program

Child & Family Center’s Domestic Violence Program offers shelter, intervention and prevention to survivors of domestic violence and their children.

To break the cycle of abuse, we developed programs that provide survivors of domestic violence with extensive opportunities and means of support in order to improve the quality of life for their families.

While physical violence leaves visible wounds and scars, the emotional toll of abuse leaves lasting, hidden effects. Often, the psychological consequences of abuse can manifest as symptoms including, but not limited to, depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, anxiety, suicidal ideation and sleep disorders. We offer therapy to individuals, children and families to help facilitate recovery from ongoing and past trauma due to domestic violence.

Program Overview

The program encompasses:
Individual Therapy
Support Groups
16-week court mandated domestic violence course
Peer Counseling
Parenting Classes
Court Advocacy

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We make sure our clients are well-informed of all of their options when deciding on a legal course of action best-suited for their case. We offer the support and assistance that survivors of domestic violence need to navigate through the complexity of the court system.

It is important to understand that the court advocate’s role with the survivor is short term and they do not provide on-going case management. Advocates are not attorneys and do not provide survivors with legal representation and or legal advice. If an individual needs legal representation he/she will be referred to a legal service.

The court advocate’s role is to be a support person for the survivors throughout their domestic violence court case by:
• Assistance with temporary restraining orders
• Offering emotional support
• Explaining court procedures
• Accompanying survivors to court proceedings
• Providing general information and referrals to additional social/legal services resources
• Helping survivors develop a safety plan

DV Program provides domestic violence survivors under dire circumstances during the duration of 30 days to get access to transitional housing and additional services.

Women, men and children may stay in our confidential emergency shelter for up to 30 days. At our shelter, they receive emotional support, food, clothing, goal planning assistance, advocacy for medical, legal and financial resources, information and referrals.

Residents and children participate in counseling, parenting groups, Windows Between Worlds art expression and nightly support groups.

24-Hour Hotline

Our 24-hour hotline is staffed by trained advocates who provide counseling, information, referrals and access to immediate shelter. Staff members are also available to meet in person with potential residents to help formulate safety and shelter plans.

Call us at our 24-hour hotline (661) 259-HELP (4357), or at our non-emergency line (661) 259-8175, for confidential information and support.

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21545 Centre Pointe Pkwy
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Palmdale Office (limited services)
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Since 1976, Child & Family Center has helped thousands of children and their families by providing comprehensive prevention, early intervention, diagnostic evaluation and therapeutic services for children, teens, adults and families.

Programs include
- Individual, family and group counseling
- Substance Use education and treatment
- School Based Counseling
- Crisis Intervention
- Intensive in-home care
- Domestic Violence Services

Our staff of professionals includes child psychiatrists, licensed psychologists, licensed clinical social workers, marriage family and child therapists, case managers, and therapists who work in collaboration to provide the best possible care.

We collaborate with school districts, social service agencies, LA County Department of Mental Health, Department of Children & Family Services, L.A. Substance Abuse Prevention Control, among others to provide the best possible care for our clients.

The basic philosophy underlying all of the Center’s programs is that early intervention and guidance in an individual’s life can prevent more serious problems from developing.

The Child & Family Center is a 501c3 non-profit and certified Medi-Cal Community Mental Health Center. Services are funded through federal, state and county contracts, grants, private donations or provided on a sliding fee scale.