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History & Mission



The Children's Shelter is here to protect children and strengthen families in order to eliminate child abuse and neglect.

We work to restore innocence and break the cycle of abuse and neglect through education and prevention.

Our mission is to restore innocence and strengthen families.



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History & Mission



- ✓ Began in 1901
- ✓ One of the oldest, continuously operating non-profits in South Texas
- ✓ Strong history of providing outstanding services for children in crisis
- ✓ In fiscal year 2015 we served over 4,500 children and families

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Family of Services

Providing Shelter for children through

Emergency Shelter and **Residential Treatment Center**

Fostering hope for children through

Foster Care and **Adoption**

Supporting parents in need through

iParent SA[®]

Nurturing the needs of first time moms through

Nurse-Family Partnership[®]

Helping men become nurturing dads through

Compadre Y Compadre[®]

Giving hope to children and families through

Harvey E. Najim Hope Center



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Family of Services:

Providing Shelter



**433 children ages 0-16 served in the
EMERGENCY SHELTER**

- ✓ Average length of stay is 27 days
- ✓ 99% served maintained or showed improvement in developmental milestones
- ✓ 51% were discharged to a foster home

*Providing Shelter for children through the **Emergency Shelter.***



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Family of Services: Providing Shelter



On his first day at the shelter
a young child said,

***“Are you going to
be mean to me too?”***

A few days later the
same child said,

***“I love it here ‘cuz
I’m not afraid anymore.”***

Providing Shelter for children through the **Emergency Shelter.**



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Family of Services:

Providing Shelter



60 children ages 5-12 served in the
RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER

- ✓ Average length of stay is 295 days
- ✓ 100% of children remained safe while in our care
- ✓ 71% served maintained or showed improvement in developmental milestones
- ✓ 34% were discharged to a family setting

*Providing Shelter for children through the **Residential Treatment Center.***



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Family of Services: Providing Shelter



***“I like having people who calm
me down and care about me”***

-said by a young child in our care

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Family of Services:

Fostering the Future



291 children ages 0-18 served in

FOSTER HOME CARE

- ✓ 99% served maintained or showed improvement in developmental milestones
- ✓ 100% served maintained or improved mental health functioning
- ✓ 58% of children placed were four years or younger
- ✓ 39% were moved to a permanent placement

*Fostering hope for children through **Foster Care** and **Adoption**.*



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Family of Services:

Fostering the Future



“Why not pay it back?”

-Richard & Yolanda DeJesus,
foster family since 2009

Fostering hope for children through **Foster Care** and **Adoption**.



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Family of Services:

Fostering the Future



"I love having parents!"

-said by a child in a foster home

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Family of Services: Adopting the Future



45 children found forever homes through
ADOPTION

Post adoption services help strengthen
and preserve families!

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Family of Services: Adopting the Future



***“I don’t want my mommy
and daddy to stop giving
me hugs and kisses.”***
-said by a child with a forever family!

Fostering hope for children through **Foster Care** and **Adoption**.



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Family of Services: Supporting Parents



**751 caregivers and 784 children in
iPARENT SA®**

- ✓ 88% of children ages 0-5 were developmentally on target
- ✓ 99% of clients chose to wait for a subsequent pregnancy
- ✓ 78% of clients improved in positive parenting and child rearing attitudes
- ✓ 99.5% of children remain current on immunizations

Supporting parents in need through **iParent SA®**



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Family of Services: Supporting Parents



***“I needed to nurture myself
to become a better parent.”***

-Ruby Pena
iParent[®] SA Client

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Family of Services: Nurturing Moms



**286 mothers and 246 children in
NURSE-FAMILY PARTNERSHIP®**

- ✓ 88% of children ages 0-5 were developmentally on target
- ✓ 99% of clients chose to wait for a subsequent pregnancy
- ✓ 78% of clients improved in positive parenting and child rearing attitudes
- ✓ 99.5% of children remain current on immunizations

Nurturing the needs of first time moms through **Nurse-Family Partnership®**



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Family of Services: Nurturing Moms



***“I live for my daughter,
because I now have
somebody to live for.”***

-Darlene Reyes
NFP® client

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Family of Services: Nurturing Dads



450 fathers and 1,172 children in
COMPADRE Y COMPADRE®

- ✓ 100% of fathers had no further cps investigations after enrolling
- ✓ 100% of fathers committed to nonviolent parenting approaches
- ✓ 97% of fathers improved in positive parenting and child rearing attitudes
- ✓ 50% of graduates continued as mentors after completing the 15-week program

*Helping men become nurturing dads through **Compadre Y Compadre®**.*



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Family of Services: Nurturing Dads



***“In order to be a father,
you have to be a parent,
supporter, and a provider.”***

-Nathan Zertuche
Compadre Y Compadre® graduate & mentor

Helping men become nurturing dads through **Compadre Y Compadre®**.



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Family of Services: Giving Hope!



Where Hope Becomes Reality **Harvey E. Najim HOPE CENTER**

The Harvey E. Najim Hope Center is a specialized, trauma-focused outpatient mental health clinic for children and families impacted by abuse, neglected, and/or abandonment.

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Family of Services: Giving Hope!



***“All kids need is
a little help,
a little hope,
and somebody who
believes in them.”***

-Magic Johnson

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How You Can Help



Become a Foster or Adoptive Parent

Give a Monetary Contribution

Donate In-Kind Gifts

Give to the Thrift Boutique

Become a Volunteer



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Together with you, ***we are restoring innocence and strengthening families in South Texas.***

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