



OUR VISION

Our vision is to take collective action to support communities and families as they love and care for children.

OUR BELIEF

Our belief is that people of all ages can benefit and contribute through collaborative community programs that strengthen relationships and empower the communities we cherish.

OUR VALUES

At the heart of our work are strong values of respect, integrity, courage and hope. We celebrate community members as they discover the hero inside themselves and in each other.

PROGRAMS:

FAMILY FOCUSED SUPPORT NETWORK

A strengths based program that provides family driven case management and behavioral services to support families and children challenged by developmental disabilities.

RECEIVING CENTER

A Contra Costa County Receiving Center that provides a safe, comfortable and nurturing place for children to live until their home issues are resolved or until they can be placed with a relative or foster family.

WELCOME HOME BABY

A First 5 Contra Costa funded home visiting case management program that partners with expecting and parenting families to build on family strengths, support infant attachment and bonding, provide child development education, and support father involvement.

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRST 5 CENTERS

Concord and Brentwood family resource centers partner with the community to provide classes, workshops, screenings, activities and events free of charge to families parenting children ages 0-5. Programming is designed to help young children grow up

healthy and make a successful transition to preschool and kindergarten.

EXPERIENCE CORPS BAY AREA

People of all generations are deserving of happiness, success, and connectedness. Older adult volunteers help elementary students attending

underserved schools embrace life with confidence, heart, and courage as they improve their K-3 literacy.

MOUSE SQUAD

Collaborates with underserved schools to educate students about technology and train them to operate the technical support execution in their own schools. Students gain educational, workplace, and life abilities that are crucial measures in success.

FOSTER CARE

All children need stability, safety, guidance and, most of all, love. Program partners with community members who desire to empower children to develop resiliency, hope and self-efficacy so that they can achieve their full potential throughout their lives.

ADOPTION

A program built on the belief that every child has the right to a permanent family that will provide him or her with lifelong love, security and a sense of belonging.

REACH

A family strengthening program developed to partner with families as they prepare for the experience of adoption, and to support families in managing the unique aspects of adoptive parenting.



SUCCESS STORIES

#1

I ran into my home visitor in a grocery store recently. It's been about a year since I completed the program. I told her that my son is still enrolled in the intervention services and that he is really doing well. I am still working on bonding and being attuned with him and I feel that my worker's ability to not judge me helped me get going in the direction I needed to go. I thanked her for helping me discover my own strengths. I know now that even if I'm on an emotional rollercoaster, I really can be there for my son.

#2

My life turned upside down when my son was diagnosed with autism. He was just one and I didn't know what to do or even what questions to ask. But I came to the First 5 Center and everything changed for me. I began to see things in a different way. I joined a support group and my son was able to attend regular classes. I am an immigrant from Mexico, and I began inviting other Spanish speaking parents to the Center. I became passionate about coaching parents to be their kids' first teacher and the center hired me to be a Child Watch Worker. I went to school in early childhood education, improved my English and became a Program Assistant II. I teach classes and oversee our Satellite programming. I like helping parents from all backgrounds. I know life can be hard. What I'm doing right now is my way of giving back to our community.

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