

MISSION STATEMENT

SHIELDS for families is a non-profit community-based organization dedicated to developing, delivering, and evaluating culturally sensitive, comprehensive service models that empower and advocate for high-risk families for over 20 years.



We believe that with education, access to appropriate services and caring guidance, families can rebuild their lives and become productive members of the community, nurturing parents and achieve all of their dreams.



HISTORY

SHIELDS was formed in 1987 in response to high incidence of infants born prenatally exposed to drugs at Martin Luther King Hospital in South Central Los Angeles.

SHIELDS began providing services to this unique population and has since grown to provide over 30 comprehensive, family-centered, wrap-around programs addressing issues facing high-risk families in South LA.



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Child Development Centers



SHIELDS Child Development Centers offer comprehensive services for children ages 0-5, including developmental assessments, child development case management, and infant development (ECE's), home visits, early literacy skills, and teaching and demonstration





SHIELDS Child Development Centers are designed as an interactive experience in which parents collaborate with Child Development staff within the centers during Early Supervised Intervention. The primary goal is to promote the healthy development, social and emotional well-being and school readiness of children as well as the provision of therapeutic and developmentally appropriate services including **Parent Advocacy, Parenting Class, Mommy, Daddy & Me Classes, Early Literacy Skills and Denver II Assessments.**



Located within the Genesis, Healthy Start, Eden, ACT, Tamar Village and Exodus programs, the SHIELDS Child Development Centers provide comprehensive services for children 0-5 years of age as well as for parents enrolled in SHIELDS for Families.



SHIELDS Child Development programs have been recognized throughout the country, county and state as a specialized program providing services to enhance parenting and child development skills of substance abusing mothers and families. Children have



been able to achieve significant gains in their development and any special needs are immediately identified and referred for specialized services. Parents have gained knowledge and insight into utilizing appropriate activities and skills in working with their children. Developmental stages and milestones are an integral part of the curriculum that parents receive as innovative approach to treatment.

Services Provided

- Ages & Stages Assessments
- Assistance with Community Resources
- Child Development Specialist
- Daily Observations and Charting
- Denver II Assessments
- Developmental Appropriate Activities
- Early Literacy Skills
- Early Supervised Intervention
- ECE's
- Home Visits/ One On One's/ T&D's
- IEP's
- Mommy, Daddy & Me Class
- Parent Advocacy
- Parenting Class
- Referrals for Specialized Services
- Weekly Lesson Plan