



The Partnership for Safe Families & Communities of Ventura County,
The Designated Child Abuse Prevention Council



Our Mission is

“ To promote a community committed to safe, healthy, peaceful families. ”



Community Events & Resources



December 2011 Newsletter

Section 2

Trainings/Events Information



Alliance for Justice

Alliance for Justice offers a wide range of materials that promote a deeper understanding of the advocacy rules for nonprofits. You can order our publications through the AFJ Store.

For more information and training schedule visit: www.afj.org or call (866)-675-6229.

Workshops last approximately one hour (see registration page for start time). You may register online or by calling Jose Olivas at (510) 444-6070. Workshop Registration is \$35 per attendee. You will need a high speed internet connection to your computer in order to participate in these web workshops.

A Funder's Guide to Supporting Advocacy (12/20/11)

From 2-3pm (E/T) [Register here!](#)

Federal Lobbying Disclosure Act Rules for Nonprofits January 10, 2012

From 2-3pm (E/T) and is designed for all tax-exempt organizations. [Register here!](#)

California Lobbying Disclosure for Nonprofits January 19, 2012

From 2- 3pm Join us for a discussion on the California lobbying disclosure requirements and what nonprofits should know to easily comply. [Register here!](#)

Election Related Activities for Nonprofits January 24, 2012

From 2-3pm (ET). [Register here!](#)

Lobbying Rules for Nonprofits January 26, 2012

From 2-3pm (E/T). [Register here!](#)

SOURCE: Alliance for Justice, 11/3/11

Café on A

Zumba- Every Mon-Fri, Oxnard

Class starts at 7pm, Café on A, 438 South A Street, Oxnard. Fee: \$5.00 per session.

SOURCE: Armando Vasquez, on-going

California Highway Patrol

The Start Smart Program, December 20, 2011 - Ventura County Medical Center

From 6:30-8:30pm To reserve your spot, please call: Elena (805) 652-5904 or Officer Steve Reid at (805) 477-4100.

SOURCE: Elena Gutierrez, 12/12/11

Carpe Diem

Surviving and Thriving, , March 7, 2012, Camarillo, **SAVE THE DATE**

From 8:30am– 4:15pm (8-8:30am registration), VCOE, 5100 Adolfo Rd., Camarillo. Fee: \$20-college students/parents, \$60-professionals. For more information: (805) 437-1560 or email: clavelle@vcoe.org, visit: <http://workshops.vcoe.org>.

SOURCE: Sarah Fontenot, 12/1/11

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Calendar of Events

Trainings/Events

Casa Pacifica

Trainings located at 975 Flynn Rd, Camarillo, CA 93012, unless specified otherwise.

Skill Practice for Collaborative Problem Solving Thursday, December 15, 2011

From 9am – 1pm. Fee: no cost, [REGISTER NOW](#)

Safe Environments for Learning and Growth January 19, 2012 & Friday, January 20, 2012 Camarillo

From 9am-4pm (lunch on your own). Fee: no cost, [advance registration](#) required .

Workshop: Skill Practice for Collaborative Problem Solving Thursday, January 26, 2012, Camarillo

From 9am- 1pm. Fee: no cost, [REGISTER NOW](#) .

Child and Youth Care Basic Course January 12, 13, 26, 27 & February 9, 10, 23, 24, 2012, Buellton

From 9am–3pm (lunch on your own), Pea Soup Andersen's, 376 Avenue of Flages, CA 93427.

Fee: \$392, [advance registration](#) required.

Skill Practice for Collaborative Problem Solving February 16, 2012 Camarillo

From 9am-1pm (PT). Fee: no cost, [advance registration](#) is required.

For more information call (805) 445-7800 or visit: <http://www.eventbrite.com/event/1825771933>.

SOURCE: Casa Pacifica, 11/3/11

Chronic Disease Prevention & Early Detection Program, Ventura County Public Health

A LeanVC~ Building a Healthy Ventura County, on-going classes

Health screenings, nutrition and diabetes classes, free seasonal fruits and vegetables, get fit classes and walking groups, and community gardens. Get Moving Get Fit Classes- Monday, Wednesday & Thursday July-December 2011, Oxnard, from 9:30-10:30am, located at El Rio School, 2715 Vineyard Avenue (cafeteria). To register call Ana Bella Rubalcaba Certified Zumba® Instructor at (805) 677-5252. Download the events schedule: at

<http://healthyventuracounty.org/>

SOURCE: Sara Rivera, ongoing

Dark to Dawn

Children and Bullying-What you can do to make a Difference, February 11, 2012, Camarillo

From 9:30-11:30am, Camarillo Christian Church, 1777 Arneill Rd., Camarillo. Fee: No Cost. For more information [check out the attached flier](#) , call John Franklin (805) 433-5171 or Carol Howell (805) 378-1400 ext. 1891.

SOURCE: John Franklin, 12/1/11

Foster & Kinship Care Education Program: on-going classes and trainings

To download the training schedule visit: www.VCFPA.com.

For more info., call Moorpark College 378-1400 ext 1891 or Ventura College at 654-6327 or Oxnard College 986-5800 ext 2018 or email chowell@vcccd.edu or rcarlson@vcccd.edu or debbieflowers@vcccd.edu.

SOURCE: Rhonda Carlson, 10/26/11

Kids & Families Together

Event information from Kids & Families Together December 2011 Newsletter

December 3-26, Ride the North Pole Express, Fillmore

Located at 346 Main St, Fillmore. Fee: adults \$29, children 2-12 \$19 (under 2 free). For more information call (805) 524-2546 or email: reservations@fwry.com.

December 10-25, Oxnard's Christmas Tree Lane, Oxnard

Nightly displays from 6 pm to 10 pm, National Historic District, F & G Streets between 5th & Palm, Oxnard.

December 16 & 17, Ventura Harbor Parade of Lights, Ventura

Lighted boat parade and firework show begin at 7pm. Boats will be beautifully decorated and lit up for the two-day fun filled event with a Winter Wonderland & Sidewalk Sale. Admission is free.

December 25, Chanukah Festival at Ventura Harbor, Ventura

From 3-5pm. Join the celebration with music, hot latkes, a boutique and the lighting of a 20ft menorah.

SOURCE: Kids & Families Together, 12/2/11

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Trainings/Events



Pacific Clinics Training Institute

Winter-Spring Course Catalog click link below

http://www.pacificclinics.org/sites/default/files/docs/PCTI_Catalog_Winter_Spring_2012.pdf

Group Clinical Supervision: Core Competencies January 9, 2012, Pasadena

From 9am- 4pm, 2550 E. Foothill Blvd., 91107. Fee: \$150, early bird: \$112.50, deadline December 26, 2012.

Employment and Culture January 17, 2011 Pasadena

From 9am -1pm, 2471 E. Walnut Street, CA., 91107. Fee: \$80, early bird: \$60, deadline January 3, 2012.

Mental Health First Aid-3 year Certification, January 19 & 26, 2012, Pasadena

From 9:30 am-4:30 pm, 2471 E. Walnut Street, 91107. Fee: \$150, early bird: \$112.50, deadline January 5, 2012. Must attend both sessions to receive Certificate.

Aging and Long Term Care: A Multi-Cultural Perspective January 20 & 27 Pasadena

From 8:30am-2:30pm, Pacific Clinics (Foothill Conference Room A), 2550 E. Foothill Blvd. Fee: \$40, early bird \$30, deadline January 16, 2012

For more information call (626)793-5141, Ext. 1-308, email: PCTI@pacificclinics.org or visit www.PCTI.org

SOURCE: Pacific Clinics, 12/7/11

Parents Anonymous

2012 California Parent Leadership Conference- February 21- 22, 2012 Ontario (Save the Date)
"Collaborating with Families - Moving Toward Real Partnerships"

Registration fee: \$175, limited scholarships available for parents, caregivers, parent partners or mentors. Register now at the direct link <https://www.strengthening-families.org/plconference/register2.aspx> or visit WWW.CAPARENTENGAGEMENT.ORG. For more information call (909) 621-6184, ext. 220, e-mail mlevine@parentsanonymous.org, or visit: www.parentsanonymous.org.

SOURCE: Meryl Levine, 12/5/11

Rainbow Connection Family Resource Center, Tri-Counties Regional Center

On-going Support Groups Trainings & Activities

<http://rainbowconnectionfrc.weebly.com/on-going-events.html>

Prevention Resource & Referral Services-for families in the prevention program

<http://rainbowconnectionfrc.weebly.com/prrs-calendar.html>

2012 journey to a healthier lifestyle workshop, January 3 & 5, 2012

January 3, 2012 from 6pm-7:30pm, in Simi Valley and January 5, 2012 from 6pm-7:30pm, in Oxnard.

To register, attend or for a copy of the current "What's Happening at Rainbow?" schedule of activities, please call (805) 485-9643; (800) 332-3679; e-mail: rainbow@tri-counties.org or go to our Website:

www.rainbowconnectionfrc.weebly.com.

SOURCE: Rainbow Connection, 12/2/11

Social Justice Fund

A Tale of Two Counties. Bridging the Widening Gaps in Ventura County, January 27, 2012, Camarillo

From 8:30am-3pm at United Methodist Church, Camarillo. For more information visit SocialJusticeFundVC.org.

SOURCE: Tricia Keen, 11/21/11

Strategies

Cultural Proficiency January 11, 2012- Roseville

From 8am-4pm, 130 North Sunrise Avenue, Ca., 95661. Fee: \$60, click link to [Register!](#) For more information call (916) 784-2222.

An Introduction to the Protective Factors January 12, 2012 -Fresno

From 8am - 4pm, 4277 North West Ave., Ca., 93705. For more information call 559)228-2111.

Fee: \$60, click link for [Wait List Open](#)

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Trainings/Events

Strategies Continued

Incorporating Father Friendly Practices At Your Organization January 25, 2012- Bakersfield

From 8:30 am-4pm, 3625 Marriott Drive Ca., 93308. Fee: \$60.00, click link to [Register!](#) For more information call: (661)716-1000.

Family Economic Success and Stability January 25 - 26, 2012 -El Centro

From 8am-4pm, CalWORKs Building, 2895 S. 4th Street, El Centro, Ca.. Fee: \$120.00. Click link to [Register!](#)

Cultural Proficiency January 31, 2012 - Pomona

From 8am-4pm, 1777 Gillette Road, Ca., 91768. For more information (909) 623-3515. Fee: \$60, click link to [Register!](#)

Honorable Fathers, Searching for Balance; A Fathers Role in Family Violence Prevention, February 01, 2012- Webinar

From 9:30am-11am. Fee \$15.00, click link to [Register!](#)

Strengthening Families 101: An Introduction to the 5 Protective Factors- Fresno

From 8:30am - 4:30pm. Fee: \$60.00 [Register!](#)

For more Strategies workshops visit: <https://www.familyresourcecenters.net/onevent/events.php> or call (888)505-0597 ext. 1 or 3. For additional information please call toll free (888) 505-0597 ext. 1 or 3.

SOURCE: Strategies, 12/7/11

Ventura County Community Foundation Center for Nonprofit Leadership

Video Contest for Compact: What is a Sustainable Ventura County?

Must be a Ventura County resident ages 14-35. Deadline: December 30th, 2011 [Click here](#) for more information.

For more information on these workshops please contact Susan Seale at (805) 988-0196 ext. 110 or sseale@vccf.org

SOURCE: VCCF, 11/1/11

Child Abuse Prevention and Family Strengthening Resources



Surveys/Community Support

Ventura County Human Services Agency

Website Survey, deadline December 15, 2011

The County of Ventura Human Services Agency is reaching out to partners to help us understand your experience with our website, www.vchsa.org, in order to better meet your needs. This brief survey takes about 3 minutes to complete and includes no personally identifying information. Please take a moment before Dec. 15th to share your feedback and help us improve how we communicate about our services.

Click below to begin:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dG1xUVZmaUZHenllb2NVaDhYZjd4eXc6MA>

SOURCE: Sonia Kroth, 12/7/11

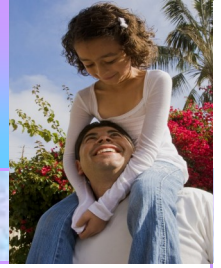
Dark to Dawn

Holiday Gift Ideas - Updated

We had so much interest in the holiday gift list from last month that we've added a couple of new ideas for families who are looking to give to others during the holiday season. [Click here for the updated list.](#)

SOURCE: John Franklin, 12/1/11

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Community Support/Surveys

Teaching Tolerance

Am I the Classroom Bully?

In "[Bully at the Blackboard](#)," we address the problem of teacher bullying. [Take the Teaching Tolerance survey](#) to assess your own classroom behavior.

Speak Up at School: Tell Us Your Story

Have you encountered bigoted behavior at school? Teaching Tolerance is collecting personal stories like these for the upcoming booklet, [Speak Up at School](#). Send your stories to editor@teachingtolerance.org.



Publications

CB Children's Express Bureau

Click on the links below for:

[News From the Children's Bureau](#), [Spotlight on Long-Term Foster Care](#), [Training and Technical Assistance Network Updates](#), [Children's Bureau Grantee News](#), [Child Welfare News](#), [Strategies and Tools for Practice](#), [Resources](#), [Training and Conferences](#)

SOURCE: www.cbexpress.acf.hhs.gov/, 12/12/11

Channing Bête Company, www.channing-bete.com

PATH's Program

The PATHS program supports Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts and American School Counselor Association Standards. To read the full reports visit:

<http://www.channing-bete.com/prevention-programs/paths/correlations.html>

Study Shows an Increase in Abusive Head Trauma during Economic Hardship, *Pediatrics Journal*

This study suggests the need for significantly increased prevention efforts during times of high unemployment and economic hardship. Read the journal report at:

<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/early/2011/09/15/peds.2010-2185.full.pdf>

Study Reveals Illicit Drug Use Rates Climb

We must do everything we can to effectively promote prevention, treatment and recovery programs across our country." Read more here: <http://www.samhsa.gov/newsroom/advisories/1109075503.aspx>.

SOURCE: Channing Bete Company, 12/12/11

Child Welfare Information Gateway- information and resources to help protect children and strengthen families.

December 1, 2011 New publications. To subscribe to receive publications each month visit:

<http://www.childwelfare.gov/admin/subscribe/#page=subscriptions>

Adoption: To view all 11 publications and their detail click here:

http://www.childwelfare.gov/cwlibrarian/index_act.cfm?topicId=8&pubMonth=11&pubYear=2011

Community Services: To view all 43 publications and their detail click here:

http://www.childwelfare.gov/cwlibrarian/index_act.cfm?topicId=10&pubMonth=11&pubYear=2011

Permanency: To view all 71 publications and their detail click here:

http://www.childwelfare.gov/cwlibrarian/index_act.cfm?topicId=5&pubMonth=11&pubYear=2011

Prevention: To view all 44 publications and their detail click here:

http://www.childwelfare.gov/cwlibrarian/index_act.cfm?topicId=7&pubMonth=11&pubYear=2011

Safety: To view all 87 publications and their detail click here:

http://www.childwelfare.gov/cwlibrarian/index_act.cfm?topicId=4&pubMonth=11&pubYear=2011

Wellbeing: To view all 71 publications and their detail click here:

http://www.childwelfare.gov/cwlibrarian/index_act.cfm?topicId=6&pubMonth=11&pubYear=2011

Workforce & Training: To view all 32 publications and their detail click here:

http://www.childwelfare.gov/cwlibrarian/index_act.cfm?topicId=3&pubMonth=11&pubYear=2011

SOURCE: Child Welfare Information Gateway, 12/1/11



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Resource Information

ACE program offers access to many medical and dental services at clinics all throughout Ventura County. Call for eligibility at (805) 981-5070.

SOURCE: Diana Casey, on-going

California Parent Engagement Center. For more information visit www.caparentengagement.org.

SOURCE: Meryl Levine, on-going

Channing Bete Company offers nationally acclaimed products and programs on violence prevention, school success, and provides promotion, publishing, and distribution. For the latest newsletter visit: www.channing-bete.com.

SOURCE: www.channing-bete.com, on-going

NEW California Child Abduction Task Force. Information on family abductions, stranger/non-family abductions in California. For more information on Task Force/trainings visit www.ChildAbductions.org.

SOURCE: Dannielle Stoyanoff, CATTA, Ongoing

Children's Bureau— Click link below for child welfare news, training and technical assistance network, strategies and tools for practice, resources, trainings and conference: <http://cbexpress.acf.hhs.gov>

SOURCE: <http://cbexpress.acf.hhs.gov>, ongoing

Child Welfare Information Gateway- information and resources to help protect children and strengthen families.

For more information call Child Welfare Information Gateway: (800) 394-3366 or email: info@childwelfare.gov or website: www.childwelfare.gov

SOURCE: www.childwelfare.gov, ongoing

Chronic Disease Prevention and Early Detection Program, Healthy Communities-Health Education

Chronic Disease Prevention and Early Detection Program: Silvia Lopez-Navarro (805) 677-5261;

Diabetes Self Management Services: Deanne Morales (805) 677-5250; **Ventura County Wellness Program:**

Sara Rivera (805) 677-5252; **Nutrition Education Project:** Lizet Garcia (805) 677-5230; **Community & School**

Vegetable Gardens Project: Blanca Arias (805) 677-5247; **Peer-Peer Nutrition Education Project:** Blanca Arias (805) 677-5247; **Network for a Healthy California-Gold Coast Region:** Alicia Villicana (805) 677-5254;

Gold Coast Collaborative: JoAnn Torres (805) 677-5267; **Children's Power Play Campaign:** Caroline Ugarte

(805) 677-5262; **Latino Campaign:** Mary Arevalo: (805) 677-5255; **Physical Activity Specialist:** Evette Howe

(805) 677-5276; **Retail Program:** Cristina Wells(805) 677-5235.

For more information visit: <http://portal.countyofventura.org>

SOURCE: Sara Rivera, ongoing

NEW CPR/First Aid Classes

American Red Cross Instructors Available English/Spanish In your business/facility. Contact Ernesto Sandoval or Carrie McAuliffe at (805) 222-0091or arc.classes@gmail.com.

SOURCE: Carrie McAuliffe, ongoing

NEW DARK TO DAWN

Getting Started on Adoption - Loving Shepherd Ministries Can Help You. For more info.

Visit <https://loving-shepherd.org/adoption-services/adoption-resources.htm>

Ministry Highlight - Project HOPEFUL - HIV-AIDS. Project HOPEFUL has helped almost 200 families seeking to adopt children with HIV/AIDS. For more information visit <http://www.projecthopeful.org/>

Ministry and Leadership Team. Their website is www.christianalliancefororphans.org.

For more information contact John Franklin - John@DarktoDawn.org or [805-433-5171](tel:805-433-5171)

Website - www.DarktoDawn.org Be a Friend and "like" us on Facebook - www.Facebook.com/DarktoDawn

SOURCE: John Franklin, 11/30/11

Encouraging Safe Use of Electronic Media by Children. Federal Communications Commission informative website for parents on improving child safety in today's complex media landscape. For more information visit

<http://reboot.fcc.gov/parents/>

SOURCE: Sonia Kroth, 7/1/11



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Resource Information Continued

Finding Happiness Isn't the Answer, Finding Meaning Is. Read more by visiting <http://www.lynnkjones.com/newsbreak/happiness/> call Dr. Lynn Jones for a free complimentary session at (805)448 - 7681 or [schedule a session](#) using my on-line calendar.

SOURCE: Dr. Lynn K Jones, on-going

Interface Children Family Service Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT) is an evidence-based/best practice treatment using a "live-coached" model to improve the quality of the parent-child relationship and to teach parents the skills necessary to manage their child's moderate to severe behavioral issues. For more information contact Karen Stuart, MS, LMFT, PCIT Master Therapist at (805) 485-6114 ext. 636.

SOURCE: Karen Stuart, on-going

Keep Your Home California these funds are new as of February 2011. See website for more information:

<http://www.keepyourhomecalifornia.org/>

SOURCE: Cathy Brudnicki, 4/19/11

Kidsdata.org program of Lucile Packard Foundation— data is available for dozens of topics measuring the health and well being of children. For more information visit <http://www.kidsdata.org/about.aspx>, contact (650) 724-5778 or kidsdata@lpfch.org.

SOURCE: Kidsdata.org, ongoing

National Parent Helpline, operated by Parents Anonymous, Inc. Call the helpline at (1-855-427-2736), Monday through Friday 10am PST to 7pm PST. For more information visit www.nationalparenthelpline.org.

SOURCE: National Parent Helpline, ongoing

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Family-Family Education Program. 12-week course for families and friends of individuals with a mental illness. Free course materials. To register or more information call NAMI at (805) 641-2426 or visit www.namiventura.org.

SOURCE: Tiffany Mood, 3/24/11

NEW One with Courage...to talk about child sexual abuse. It's a national campaign to bring awareness to child sexual abuse. Visit: www.onewithcourage.org. There are video and audio spots available as well.

SOURCE: Susan Becker, 11/18/11

Ready Ventura a national public service advertising (PSA) campaign designed to educate and empower Americans to prepare for and respond to emergencies. For more information visit: www.readyventuracounty.org , Facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/ReadyVC> , Twitter: <http://twitter.com/ReadyVC>

SOURCE: Elaine Martinez Curry, 6/24/11

Strengthening Families and Communities 2011 Resource Guide provides information to strengthen families and prevent child abuse and neglect, with a focus on the five protective factors. For more information click on link: www.childwelfare.gov/preventing/preventionmonth/guide2011/.

SOURCE: www.childwelfare.gov, 4/5/11

Text for Baby. Free weekly text service by texting **BABY to 511411** (or BEBE for Spanish). Click on link for more information: text4baby .

SOURCE: Jen Gomez, on-going

The FRIENDS National Resource Center for Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention. FRIENDS Online Learning Center visit www.friendsnrc.org/resources/onlinelearn.htm.

SOURCE: Lisa Fraser, on-going.



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TNT Anger Management Services. TNT Anger management services provides impulse control, Self Management, Social Awareness, and Relationship Management. For more information please call Norman Thatcher at (818) 264-6255, visit the website at www.tntams.com.
SOURCE: Norman Thatcher, 3/4/11

Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) focuses on the causes of children's behavior problems teaching parents strategies for encouraging children's development and managing misbehavior, provided at no cost to families with children ages of 0-12. For more information, please call 805-485-6114 Ext. 621
SOURCE: Lynn Ruffino, 10/19/11

United Parents~ Helping you guide your children online. Free to download & use. Cyber bullying warnings. Scans suicide mentions. Keeps children safe online. For more information click on the link: <http://beta.unitedparents.com/app/home.jsp?dp=9999999990>.
SOURCE: United Parents, 4/29/11

United Way— Youth Leaders Society- The program engages high school students, college/university students and young professionals. Full day interactive workshops. For more information visit www.ylsvc.org.
SOURCE: Elaine Martinez Curry, 1/21/11

Winter Shelters Program for 2011-2012
The County of Ventura Human Services Agency, work with shelters to ensure that homeless individuals in communities across Ventura County have a warm place to eat and sleep, and connect to services that will help them. The Winter Warming Shelter rotates between the National Guard Armories in Oxnard and Ventura. The Conejo Valley Winter Shelter in Thousand Oaks, Public Action Delivering Shelter (PADS) in Simi Valley, and Ojai Valley Family Shelter all rotate between churches and temples within the faith community and are staffed by volunteers. For a list of shelters near you click on the link below.
http://portal.countyofventura.org/portal/page/portal/VCHSA/Content%20%20Shelters/HomelessShelterListing2011_12.pdf
SOURCE: Charlene Pratt, 11/11011

Ventura County Area Agency on Aging
The Elder Help Program (EHP) provides free, short-term assistance to frail seniors to maintain their independence at home. For more info call (805) 477- 7300 or 1-(800) 510-2020, visit us on the web: www.aaa.countyofventura.org
SOURCE: Elder Help, 9/7/11

Ventura County Mental Health Resources

Children's Intensive Response Team (CIRT): Calls from 9:30am to 8pm, 7 days a week, mental health crisis support and short-term follow-up services for children and young adults (ages 0 to 21). Free service provided through Casa Pacifica, **call 1-(866)-431-2478.**

Suicide Prevention Hotline: Call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, over-the-phone only resource for someone contemplating suicide, **call 1-(800)-273-8255.**

Friendship Line for the Elderly: Call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, over-the-phone only resource for elders experiencing crisis and non-crisis situations, **call 1-(800)-971-0016.**

Interface Information Helpline (2-1-1): Call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, referrals to mental health and social services agencies, toll free and dialed on any phone in Ventura County by **dialing 2-1-1 or 1-(800)-339-9597.**

The Coalition For Family Harmony: Call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence. Provides counseling and crisis services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, **call (805) 656-1111.**

Alcohol and Drug Counseling: Call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for drug and alcohol counseling, provided through Action Family Counseling, **call 1-(800)-367-8336.**

Tri-Counties Regional Center (TCRC): Call TCRC to find out about resources for Developmentally Disabled (DD) children and adults. Oxnard at **1-(800)-664-3177** or Simi Valley at **1-(800)-517-2524.** Safety Alert Inc. – Crisis Team for TCRC Clients **1-(800)-474-4048.**

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Ventura County Mental Health Resources Continued

Screening, Triage, Assessment & Referral (STAR): Call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to get an assessment and referral to Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) Outpatient Services. Clinics located in Ventura, Oxnard, Thousand Oaks, Simi Valley, Santa Paula, & Fillmore, **call 1-(866)-998-2243.**

Adult Protective Services & Children Family Services: APS and CFS will investigate allegations/suspicions of elder, dependent adult, and child abuse/neglect. Also provide follow-up services and referrals. **Call (805) 654-3200.**

Brain Injury Center: Provide education, advocacy, and socialization for people with Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and their families, **call (805) 482-1312.**

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI): Free support for family members of people with mental illness. They provide 12-week educational classes, family support groups, and monthly educational forums. **Call (805) 641-2426.**

United Parents: Support for parents of emotionally disturbed children/adolescents. **Call (805) 551-0472.**

Office of the Public Guardian: Call to assist someone in obtaining public or private conservator ship. **Call (805) 654-3141.**

Hillmont Psychiatric Center / VCMC Mental Health: Call or walk in 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for assessment and referral of people age 18 and older. **Call (805) 652-5755.**

Aurora Vista Del Mar Hospital: Call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for assessment and referral of people age 12 and older. They will give an assessment over-the-phone regarding bringing someone in for possible hospitalization. **Call (805) 653-6434.**

Law Enforcement Crisis Intervention Team (CIT): Call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for police officers / deputies that are trained to implement non-violent crisis intervention for the mentally ill. Request a "CIT Trained Officer" by **calling police business lines** (locate the number in your phone book) or by **dialing 911 in an emergency.**

SOURCE: Scott Walker, on-going

Employment/Funding Opportunities

Employment Opportunities



Ventura County Youth Job and Prep Program

Youth 18-21 years old and out of school Must meet low income guidelines based on family size

Oxnard (or unincorporated Oxnard / Port Hueneme) resident Check the website:

www.venturacountyjcc.org. Community Resources / Youth Services or call 1-(800) 500-7705.

SOURCE: Sonia Kroth, 12/8/11

Ventura County Community Foundation

For employment opportunities in the Ventura County Nonprofit sector visit www.vccf.org.

SOURCE: VCCF, on-going

Support Funding/ Funding Opportunities

Save Youth Violence Prevention Funding

Tell Congress to restore Youth Violence Prevention Funding. For additional information, including fact sheets, visit Prevention Institute's new Preventing Violence Advocacy page at

www.preventioninstitute.org, call (510) 444-7738, email: prevent@preventioninstitute.org.

SOURCE: Prevention Institute, 10/6/11

Martin V. and Martha K. Smith Foundation Accepting Letters of Inquiry, due by 4pm, December 16, 2011

Focused grant making in the following areas: Basic Needs/Safety Net Services, Beautification of Oxnard, and Practical Higher Education. Letters of Inquiry for the 2012 grant making cycle of the Martin V. & Martha K.

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