

Keeping Kids Safe Program

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Access to Visitation Grant

The Keeping Kids Safe Program, through Family Court Services, has been a participant in California's Access to Visitation grant program, for 8 years now. By way of this grant, parents may qualify for reduced supervised visitation and exchange services at La Familia and FACES, based upon their monthly income and a sliding scale. If accepted into the program, co-pays on the sliding scale are \$3-10 per hour for supervised visitation, and \$1-5 for each supervised exchange. The grant award for Fiscal Year 07/08 and Fiscal Year 08/09 is \$86,978 for each year. The Fiscal Year 07/08 recently ended on June 30, 2008, and we are pleased to share some of the final data results of services provided through the Access to Visitation grant. A comprehensive list is available on the board in the KKS office, and upon request.

- 196 children were served
- 129 parents were served
- 17 parents received exchange services
- 114 parents received supervised visitation services
- 5 parents received therapeutic visitation services
- Visiting parents in the program consisted of 69% male and 31% female
- Restraining Order in effect against visiting parent 68%

New Mandatory Dialing Requirements

Effective 8/23/2008 all calls dialed within the 714 Area Code will need to be dialed using a 1+10 digit pattern, i.e., 1+ 714-555-5555.

Please take note for office use, this includes the following:

- ≈ Fax machines
- ≈ Cell Phones
- ≈ Office and Departmental lists

Emergency Action Plan

In light of the recent earthquake last month, we would like to bring awareness to all participants in the KKS program about the Court's "Emergency Action Plan". A copy of the action plan is posted on the bulletin board in the KKS office, and a copy has been placed in each of the Intake Coordinator's work trays, along with mini flash lights for safety. It is important that everyone take a few minutes to review this emergency plan. If anyone is on site at LJC during an emergency or a fire drill evacuation, the reporting procedure is to locate the Family Court Services group. The meeting place is between the employee and public parking structures, and look for red sign #7. The contact person is Ruth Avalos. It is also important that wherever a person is, to take notice of all facility and emergency exits, and become familiar with emergency evacuation plans and procedures at each work location. Always stay safe!

Thank You for Your Participation!

Goodbye to the following interns who participated in the KKS program during this past year/semester:

Tritia Tajima: was accepted to University of the Pacific-McGeorge School of Law.

Ian Costello: attends Whittier College and has been accepted into the ROTC Program @ Loyola Marymount.

Christian Dang: will begin his senior year at CSUF as a Human Services major.

Melissa Guzaino: is returning to her 2nd year at the School of Law, University of Colorado, Boulder.

Best wishes to each of you!

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"The ultimate expression of generosity is not in giving of what you have, but in giving of who you are."

Johnnetta B. Cole