2018-2021 Proud Parenting Grant Program Project Summaries

Champions Recovery Alternative Programs, Inc. $104,345

Proud Parenting project in Kings County serves teen and transitional-age youth parents who are system-impacted in a developmentally appropriate evidence-based model. The overarching goals include wellness of the parent and child(ren), prosocial behavioral and cognitive changes, reductions in criminogenic maladaptive patterns, and disruptions of intergenerational neglect and abuse.

Encompass Community Services’ $104,345

Papás Proud Parenting project in Santa Cruz County utilizes two primary empirically supported curricula (Personal & Professional Development and Supporting Father Involvement), as well as a broad network of agency partners to create lasting community impact. The three goals of the Papás Program are: 1) reduce recidivism through economic stability among participants and their children; 2) increase parenting knowledge, positive parent-child interactions, and improved co-parenting relationships; and, 3) strengthen community awareness and linkages between organizations to provide sustainable, system-wide impact.

Fathers & Families of San Joaquin $104,345

Fathers & Families of San Joaquin (FFSJ) provides socially and culturally relevant services that help build a foundation for intergenerational healing and leadership. FFSJ works in community-centered alternative to detention and programs that reduce recidivism among formerly incarcerated youth men of color and innovative youth development approaches focused on healing, culture, and leadership. FFSJ provides parenting training and key services to young high risk young parents focusing on healing, cultural practices while promoting leadership of youth gripped by violence, trauma, and pain.

Imperial County Probation Department $104,345

Imperial County Probation Department and its community-based partners provide parenting services to 50 young parents or expectant parents annually using a multi-faceted, culturally-appropriate and strengths-based program which follows the Principles of Effective Intervention: service delivery responding to the risk/needs of the participant; services directed by a Service Plan; and services that are delivered in evidence-based, cognitive behavioral skills groups (Nurturing Parenting and Aggression Replacement Training). Case management services ensure young parents receive access to medical and economic community-based resources to maintain their success as parents.
Neutral Ground’s $104,345

Padre a Padre program addresses the needs of the target population—teen fathers who have been involved in the justice system and/or child welfare system, within an area that encompasses the boundaries of the Santa Ana Unified School District (USD), a large urban district located in Orange County serving approximately 47,000 students PreK-12. The community that is served includes 91% socioeconomically disadvantaged and 99% minority status (96% Latino). In collaboration with Santa Ana Heritage Museum, Santa Ana USD, and Santa Ana USD School Police, Project Kinship, Orangewood Foundation, the City of Santa Ana and the Santa Ana Police Department, Orange County Department of Education ACCESS program, and Pathways by Molina-Stay Process, Neutral Ground’s Padre a Padre program provides workshops, continuity of education services, father mentors, mental health referrals, and employability development.

San Benito County Office of Education’s $104,345

PASOS project underscores a holistic community approach with commitment among multiple systems. The overarching outcomes for the project are to serve 50-60 participants with targeted case management, concurrent enrollment in the Nurturing Parenting program, in-class teaching, group therapy support, and home visits. Program goals include: 1) increase knowledge in essential life-skills, resources, and prosocial expectations; 2) increase use of positive parenting methods, which do not include the use of corporal punishment; and 3) experience positive changes in overall family cohesion and decrease family conflict or violence.

South Bay Community Services’ $104,345

(SBCS) program in San Diego County is an augmentation to the existing First 5 First Steps (F5FS) Home Visiting Program. SBCS provides one-on-one home visiting using the evidence-based Parent as Teachers curriculum and parenting groups provided at convenient neighborhood-based sites, and Care Coordination to ensure families can access all the resources they need. The program is overseen by the F5FS Advisory Committee and works closely with the South and Central Region Home Visiting Collaborative to ensure services link seamlessly with existing programs and to avoid duplication of services.

Tulare County Office of Education $104,345

Tulare County Office of Education school sites project helps young parents become more effective at being a parent and break the intergenerational cycle of violence and delinquency. The Tulare County Proud Parenting Program (TCP3) utilizes a case management approach to ensure that all eligible participants are aware of, and referred to, the vast number of community resources available. Specifically, the TCP3 Case Manager works with each eligible participant to develop an individualized case management plan which includes at a minimum parenting classes.