Sanger Family Resource Center A Program of Comprehensive Youth Services

Mission

The Sanger Family Resource Center unites with community members to offer linkages, information, services, parent education and advocacy to residents of Sanger and surrounding communities.

Vision

Everyone in Sanger and the surrounding communities will have a safe and nurturing home, an opportunity for an excellent education, and a brighter future.



- Trust/Fairness
- A Family's Culture and Traditions
- Every Individual's Voice
- Collaboration
- Confidentiality and Safety
- Respect
- A United Community



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"Joanna" walked into the FRC with an eviction notice. The young mother of one, came to our center for support. She said she and her husband did not know what to do or where to start. They had no money to relocate and were given one week to move out. We contacted a real estate company and asked them for guidance. The real estate agency told the family that they had one month to move out and that the bank was responsible for paying relocation fees. Upon the mother hearing this information, she revealed that her neighbor was in the same position. The next day, both ladies came in. The paperwork was started and the process moved forward. By the end of the month, both families (a family of one child and a family of two young children) had found a place to live and each awarded \$2,000 to relocate. That money would not be owed back. Both women were very grateful to for all the support and guidance provided to them and their families. These families went from almost being homeless to having a safe, warm place to live. Both families have stated that they are thankful for the FRC and all that it does for the community. Soon after, the women began volunteering at our FRC and joined the womens' support group.



In order to support the goal of strengthening family resilience and nurturing the development of healthy behaviors as a means of preventing child abuse and neglect, the Sanger Family Resource Center embraces the Strengthening Families framework developed by the Center for the Study of Social Policy. The foundation of this framework are the evidence-based *Five Protective Factors*, which are designed to help ensure that parents have the resources, support, and tools they need to parent effectively, even when under stress. Programs and services offered at the Sanger FRC include:

- Child Welfare Services
- Case Management
- Parenting & Fatherhood Classes
- Anger Management Classes
- Peer Support Groups
- Interpreter/Translation Services
- Food Stamps, Medi-Cal
- Healthy Families Enrollment

- Internet Job Search
- Food & Clothing Distribution
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance
- Resource & Referral Services
- Home Visitation Services
- Emergency Supports
- Mental Health Counseling*

*Provided through co-located Fresno County Behavioral Health Therapist