

2025 ANNUAL REPORT



CALIFORNIA FAMILY
LIFE CENTER



A WORD FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



This chapter is not your story, this moment is not your identity, and this pain is not your life. No one else is the author of your story because no one else can be. For many of our children and youth, the story is one that they never thought would be theirs. CFLC is the safety net that supports and helps reframe their story with a message rooted in the resilience of vulnerable youth and the efforts to advocate for them. It supports the idea that individuals can and should take control of their own narrative, regardless of their past circumstances. CFLC helps our children and youth create stories that are full of hope.



Your story is still being written; hold the pen tight.

Mary Jo Ramirez

OUR MISSION



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To provide safety, comfort and healing to children suffering abuse and abandonment; to teach love and trust; to instill self-esteem, values and hope for the future- and in so doing, assist children trapped in hopelessness and despair become compassionate and contributing members of the community.



SUPPORTING THE NEXT CHAPTER

Every story of our success is written in collaboration...



"CFIC HAS BEEN MY SAFE SPACE"

"THEY DON'T GIVE UP ON ME"

"THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME OPPORTUNITIES"

STORIES OF IMPACT



COMMUNITY CREATES STORIES



CFLC received generous support from community-minded partners and organizations whose donations are helping our kids, families, and youth thrive. A special thanks to **Deckers, Walmart, PepsiCo, and SWAIEE** for being some of our biggest contributors in 2025.

American Woodmark, Pacific Life Foundation, Sprouts Healthy Communities Foundation, and Stater Bros. Charities also played a vital role in supporting programs that give comfort, stability, and new opportunities to those we serve. Thank you!

CARF ACCREDITATION



California Family Life Center has been awarded the highest level of accreditation by CARF International for its Foster Family and Kinship Care, Group Home Care, and Support and Facilitation programs for the next three years!

CARF accreditation is a public seal of trust and commitment to quality based on internationally accepted standards.

GIVING TREE TOY DRIVE

CFLC's annual toy drive helps ensure children and youth in every CFLC program receive a special Christmas present. These thoughtful in-kind donations play an important role in uplifting the young people we serve.

Our heartfelt thanks go out to the **partners, donors, and wrapping party volunteers** who make this tradition shine.

5,000 TOYS DONATED!



A GALA FOR THE BOOKS



\$100,000 RAISED!

HEART OF A HERO HONOREES

The 2025 Annual Gala, hosted at **Pechanga Resort & Casino**, brought together community leaders and supporters for a lively, sports-themed celebration. A standout moment was presenting the CFLC “Heart of a Hero” award to Jamil Dada, whose long-time support and Character Excellence Award scholarships have opened doors for CFLC youth. We also recognized **Senator Rosilicie Ochoa Bogh** for honoring California Family Life Center as Nonprofit of the Year and believing in our cause. The evening closed with a record-breaking milestone, surpassing the **\$75,000** fundraising goal to strengthen services for children, youth, and families under our care.

PECHANGA CHARITY GOLF TOURNEY



CFLC was chosen as a beneficiary of Pechanga’s 26th Annual Charity Golf Tournament! For more than 25 years, the Pechanga Charity Golf Classic has united leaders from the Tribal and Gaming communities to support impactful nonprofits across Southern California. Organizations like CFLC will directly benefit from this support, allowing them to continue empowering children, youth, and families through critical services and life-changing programs. Thank you, Pechanga, for supporting our mission by donating **\$50,000!**



OUR SERVICES



ADOPTION



Adoption provides children the opportunity to develop in a healthy environment to thrive. CFLC recognizes that “Forever Families” provide safety and hope for children in caring families. CFLC assists families on their adoption journey and believes every child deserves the love, safety, and unconditional commitment of a family.

IN 2025, THERE WERE 30 CHILDREN ADOPTED.



RESOURCE FOSTER AGENCY

CFLC Resource Family program was created to bridge the gap between a child’s initial need for temporary care and the long-term need of a forever family. Through our Resource Family homes, we work with birth families with the expectation that reunification can be established when a safe and healthy environment can be provided. Becoming a Resource Family creates opportunity to build relationships that last a lifetime.



OUR RESOURCE/FOSTER PARENTS PROVIDE HOMES FOR 186 CHILDREN 0-18.



"I used to be a CFLC Foster Child. I am living breathing proof that I can come from nothing and build something great for my life."

MENTAL HEALTH



CFLC's Mental Health program helps to enhance the youth's psychological safety, wellbeing, and resilience by utilizing a combination for trauma-informed interventions, treatments, and education to accomplish their individual goals. Our experienced CFLC staff promotes healing in traumatized youth as we assist them in identifying their strengths and enhance their self-esteem. Clinicians offer individual counseling, support groups, and help youth transition out of congregate care by developing life-changing relationships, mentorship, activities, and experiences. The goals for youth include being reunified with their families or transition into independent living.

JOB TRAINING & EDUCATION



Our Youth Opportunity Centers offer young adults the opportunity to engage in work experience, education, postsecondary education, career training, and employment. Over 950 youth benefited from the job training program at our three Youth Opportunity Center's (Hemet, Lake Elsinore, and Rubidoux). Each Youth Opportunity Center has its own unique culture but share a unified vision. CFLC in partnership with Riverside County Office of Education offers a YouthBuild Plus program to provide education, leadership development, community service, and meaningful project-based occupational skills training. The YOC's also provide the STEPS program in partnership with the Workforce Development Board and Department of Rehabilitation to provide work experience. This year included ARPA programs to include the 2nd Chance, Youth Employment program and Youth Community Corp. In partnership with the Amity Foundation job training is offered to youth that are justice involved or housed within the juvenile justice facility. CFLC is providing justice impacted youth with job training through HIRE in partnership with Center for Employment training. For those youth with disabilities we have the Youth Employment Initiative in partnership with the Amity Foundation and Department of Rehabilitation.



"After joining CFLC and having them explain these job opportunities, I had hope for my future."





KIN CARE



Kin Care is a support for children, youth at risk of being placed in foster care system. Kin Care supports the whole-family functioning, through permanency, and long-term wellness with a combination of clinical and practical services. Kinship placements help maintain family connections and cultural traditions and minimize the trauma of separation. CFLC's Kin Care relative caregivers are making a commitment that is keeping children out of foster care and connected to their family. It is through kinship services that is building the strength of the families to meet their health, financial, social, emotional, and parenting needs.

325 KINSHIP FAMILIES WERE SERVED DURING THE YEAR.

SAFECARE



SafeCare is an in-home behavioral parenting program that promotes positive parent-child interactions, informed parent/ caregiver response to childhood illness and injury, and a safe home environment. SafeCare is an evidence-based, program for parents of children ages 0-5 who are at-risk for or have been reported for child neglect or physical abuse. The SafeCare curriculum is delivered by trained and certified providers. SafeCare staff work with families in their homes to develop parenting skills by providing real-life practical training. Parents receive home visits to improve skills in home safety, health care, and parent-child interaction.



SAFECARE SERVED 214 FAMILIES.



"My kids look forward to the Kin Care Family Nights, they get presents, food, and fun activities."



STRTP



Our STRTP serves youth ages 13-18 years living in three homes Sunset House, Hemet House, and Hemet Ranch to provide youth with a welcoming home-like environment. The STRTP program assists youth to heal from traumatic events in their lives. These spaces enhance the therapeutic environment for the youth served. We have trained and professional staff to provide 24 hours of care and supervision. Each youth is provided mental health service intervention(s) to include skill building, counseling, building positive peer and family interactions, case management and linkage to community-based services.



FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK

The Family Resource Network is a hub for community services designed to improve family life, particularly for overburdened or disadvantaged families and children. CFLC's Family Resource Specialist is available to build family resiliency by reducing parent stress and connecting parents to resources. Families and communities are engaged, supported, and strengthened through culturally effective resources and opportunities that assist them in nurturing, caring, and providing for their children's success and well-being.

"Strengthening Families has given me the opportunity to communicate better with my child."



STRENGTHENING FAMILIES



Strengthening Families program (SFP) is a way of encouraging family closeness and child well-being. A time of gathering with a family meal that gives children a sense of stability. Meals are where we share family cultural values and where we create connectedness. SFP is an effective evidence-based parent education program specifically designed to increase Protective Factors and reduce the risk factors that lead to both substance abuse and youth depression.



OVER 60 FAMILIES AND MORE THAN 125 CHILDREN WERE SERVED.



CHAPLAINCY



Chaplaincy assists children trapped in hopelessness and despair to find compassion and embrace hope. Our Chaplaincy program works in the community to build awareness and increase support to help children, youth, and families. Through annual Giving Tree outreach in the community at local businesses, schools and churches with many gifts donated at Christmas time to make the holiday a blessing. Chaplaincy continues to provide support for youth and children through the generous donations of our donors ensures that children and youth facing overwhelming emotional challenges can find hope, connection, and healing.

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

AN OVERVIEW OF FISCAL YEAR EXPENSE DISTRIBUTION



Assets

\$4,575,855



Revenue,
Grant, &
Contributions

\$13,820,826

Total

\$18,396,681

Charity Navigator



FOUR-STAR

Platinum
Transparency
2026

Candid.



JOB TRAINING
& EDUCATION

36.13%



STRTP

31.12%



RESOURCE
FAMILY AGENCY

18.99%



OTHER GRANT-FUNDED
PROGRAMS + ADMIN

13.76%

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