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**EVERY CHILD NEEDS A HERO,
BUT ABUSED CHILDREN NEED
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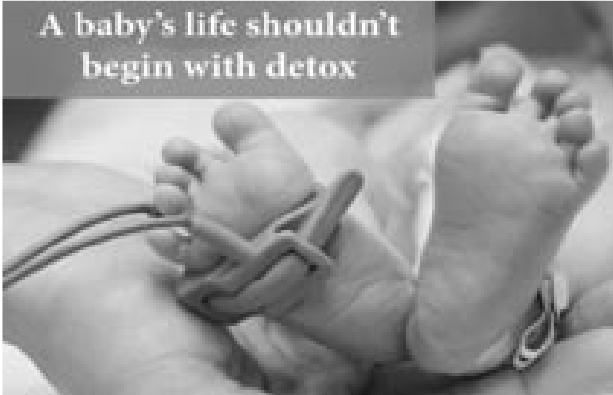
Safety and security don't just happen, they are the result of collective consensus and public investment. We owe our children, the most vulnerable citizens in our society, a life free of violence and fear.- Nelson Mandela

The Children's Advocates Roundtable

The mission of the Children's Advocates Roundtable is to address current issues affecting children and families in Fresno County primarily through multi-disciplinary collaborative discussion and implementation of change within the systems of child abuse prevention, intervention and treatment.



A baby's life shouldn't begin with detox



Prenatal substance abuse has increased in Fresno County, which poses critical health risks for the developing fetus and newborn. **Debbie Harkness, MSC, LAADC** from Assessment, Training, & Research Associates assisted FCCAP in giving the first presentation in September 2017 on the effects of prenatal substance exposure for the most common drugs used such as: Nicotine, Alcohol, Marijuana, Opiates, Cocaine, and Methamphetamine. Almost all drugs are known to cross the placenta and have some effect on the fetus, both short and long-term. The goal of the presentation was to begin discussing collaboration of a county-wide prevention education campaign, such as the **049 (Zero for 9 Months)** Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Awareness Day to protect infant and child health.

In response to incidents of violent and bullying behaviors in Fresno High Schools, FCCAP requested a presentation on the new restorative justice program, **SHARE – Stop Hate And Respect Everyone** – to help inform parents and professionals how to address and stop these abusive behaviors. Students who are both targets of bullying and engage in bullying behavior are at greater risk for both mental health and behavior problems than students who only bully or are only bullied. Students who experience bullying are at increased risk for poor school adjustment, sleep difficulties, anxiety, and depression. (CDC, 2015) Thank you to **Hon. David A. Gottlieb, Superior Court Judge Fresno County & William Broomfield, Vice-President of Cen Cal Mentoring Programs** for presenting the program in December 2017.



FCCAP purchased **RESILIENCE, The Biology of Stress & The Science of Hope**, a one-hour documentary on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) featuring **Dr. Nadine Burke Harris**, CEO and founder of the Center for Youth and Wellness in San Francisco. Other leading physicians (such as ACE Founders, Felitti and Anda), educators, and social workers talk about the effects of divorce, abuse and neglect and the birth of a new movement to treat and prevent Toxic Stress. Extremely stressful experiences in childhood can alter brain development and have lifelong effects on health and behavior. However, as experts and practitioners profiled in **RESILIENCE** are proving, what's predictable is preventable. They are successfully using cutting edge science to help the next generation break the cycles of adversity and disease. Through a generous donation, FCCAP was able to purchase the documentary and present it to numerous organizations beginning in April – National Child Abuse Prevention Month. FCCAP continues to promote and offer the documentary as an opportunity for staff development and continuing education on how to effectively intervene child maltreatment.

Be
someone's
hero.

Contact FCCAP for information on advocating for children at risk through prevention education.



FCCAP MISSION

In 1995, the Fresno County Board of Supervisors appointed FCCAP as the Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC) for Fresno County. CAPCs are legislated in the Welfare and Institutions Code section 18980 of the State of California mandating every county (58) establish a CAPC to carry out specific legislated functions within that county. CAPC's were created in response to the Legislature's findings that the prevention of child abuse requires the involvement of the entire community. Accordingly, every CAPC mission is ***to coordinate community efforts to prevent and respond to child abuse and neglect, which includes these objectives:***

- Provide a forum for interagency cooperation and coordination in the prevention, detection, treatment, and legal processing of child abuse cases.
- Promote public awareness of the abuse and neglect of children and the resources available for intervention and treatment.
- Encourage and facilitate training of professionals in the detection, treatment, and prevention of child abuse and neglect.
- Recommend improvements in services to families and victims.

FCCAP BOARD & STAFF HIGHLIGHTS

Welcome to new Board Members Sarah Putman (L) and Amy Parks (R) who were elected in July 2018. Sarah Putman, MSN, MHA, RNC, is the Director of Women & Children's Services at Community Regional Medical Center. Amy Parks, LCSW, MSW, is with UCSF Fresno Pediatric Residency Training Program. Both serve as child advocates through their respective professions and utilize their expertise in child health to assist FCCAP staff in programming advancements to meet the needs of children and families at risk. Also, congratulations to FCCAP employees Sandra Guerrero for returning to FCCAP to take the Prevention Education Coordinator position in July 2017 and to the Executive Director, Esther Franco, who celebrated 10 years of service.



AGENCY SPOTLIGHT



Thanks to the Center for Innovation and Resources, Inc. and The Child Abuse Training and Technical Assistance Center for hosting a FREE statewide conference in May 2018 on **Best Practices for Supporting and Treating Commercially Sexually Exploited Children**. Fresno is the 5th largest city for sex trafficking and studies show the age of entrance into CSEC is 12 -16 years.

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SUPERHERO COUPLE SAVES ADAM'S PROJECT!

When funding for Adam's Project was lost, FCCAP Board President, Sandra Cramolini and her husband, Dr. G. Mark Cramolini saved this program through a sponsorship by The 5th Commandment Fund. Their generosity will allow FCCAP to continue providing critical health and safety information for birthing hospitals to give to parents and their newborns.

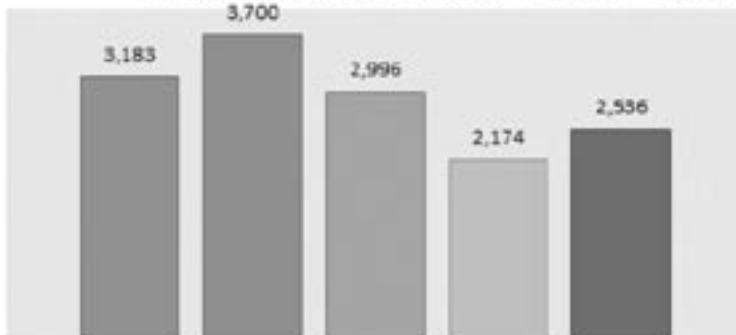


Over 16,000 new parents will receive information on Shaken Baby Syndrome, SIDS/SUIDS, Safe Sleep (which is the #1 cause of death in infants), car seat safety, burn safety, breast feeding benefits, the effects of domestic violence, and the importance of *Carry, Cuddle and Coo!* Because children need love to thrive.



Mandated Reporter Trainings

■ 2013-14 ■ 2014-15 ■ 2015-16 ■ 2016-17 ■ 2017-18



We are
a hero
in our

Everyone has a hero in their heart, but some people and organizations such as **The Fansler Foundation** have superhero hearts! Through an increase in funding from The Fansler Foundation, FCCAP was able to afford more staff time to address the new AB 1207 law for Mandated Reporter Training specifically for Child Care Providers which was enacted January 2018. This new law requires all childcare workers to complete an online training every two years. However, FCCAP was asked to provide this training in-person because of our reputation of providing more comprehensive trainings. Therefore, FCCAP staff revised our "regular" MDRT to meet the requirements as specified by Health and Safety Code Section 1596.8662 to meet the regulations of the new law and was approved to provide this specialized MDR Training with certification. Of the 2,536 Mandated Reporters trained by FCCAP during this funding period, 472 were certified under the AB-1207 law. Moreover, FCCAP contacted 93 local daycare centers to inform them of the new MDR Training and advise them of how and why our "in-person" training was better than online training. FCCAP is deeply grateful to The Fansler Foundation for their generosity and longstanding commitment to protecting children from abuse and neglect through educating professionals and parents because . . .

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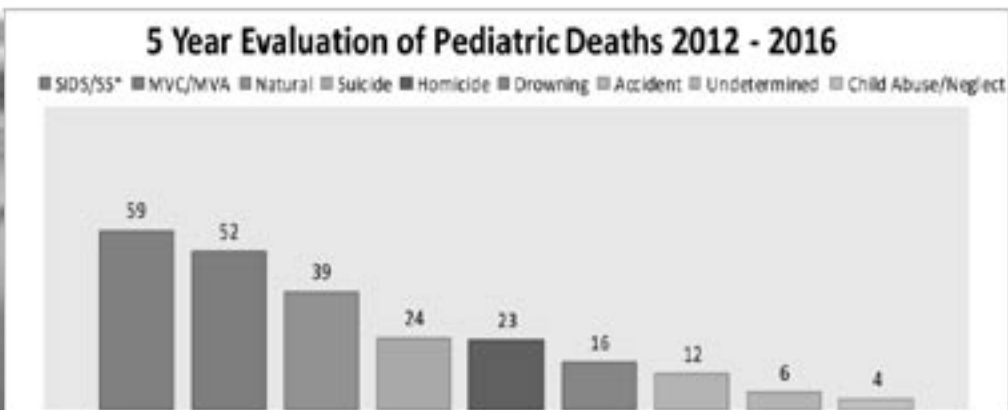


Rodney Lowery, Executive Director of the Fresno Police Dept. Chaplaincy Program since 2007 and an FCCAP Board Member since 2014 is pictured at left as he receives the **2018 Child Advocacy Award from Comprehensive Youth Services** for his leadership and commitment to the health, safety and well-being of children and youth in Fresno County. Two programs that highlight Lowery's outstanding commitment to helping abused and neglected children and youth are **Project STEALTH** (Stop Teen Exploitation And Liberate Through Hope) which targets at-risk youth who run away from home. Also, **Project RISE** (Resilience in Student Education) a partnership with Fresno Unified School District where School Resource Chaplains serve as mentors to young students. Congratulations and thanks to Lowery for his dedication to children, which definitely qualifies him as a Superhero!

Thank you to **Assembly Member, Dr. Joaquin Arambula** for his outstanding work in advocating for children at the greatest risk of abuse, neglect, and other Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). Pictured at right, Dr. Arambula is addressing an audience at the **2nd Annual California Campaign to Counter Childhood Adversity – Policymaker Education Day**, May 22, 2018. FCCAP staff attended this event and are also participating in the **AB 340 Trauma Screen Advisory Workgroup** which was authored by Arambula. AB340 will provide Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment Programs for all children on Medi-Cal.



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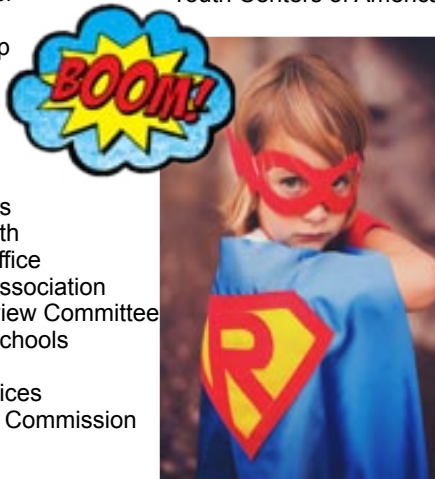
Special thanks to Dr. Debra Bekerian (pictured above, right) for her commitment in assisting the Pediatric Death Review Committee with data evaluation of child deaths so that the PDRC may assess the greatest threats to child health and safety. The 5-year study above illustrates the greatest danger to infants is safe sleeping and SIDS/SUIDS. FCCAP provides prevention education information for professionals and parents on safe sleeping through Adam's Project which is distributed to all participating birthing hospitals



PREVENTION PARTNERS

Because of the complexity and scope of child maltreatment, it takes many disciplines and services working collaboratively to intervene and prevent further abuse. FCCAP acknowledges the importance of each and every one of our "partners in prevention" because it takes the support of an entire community to protect children and keep them safe and healthy. *Thank you all!*

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| Agape Schools | Fresno Police Department |
| Alliant University | Fresno Unified School District |
| American Ambulance | Fresno Unified Student Support Services |
| Angels of Grace Foster Family | Friends of the Fresno County Public Library |
| Aspiranet | Golden State Family Services |
| Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California | Happy Day's Preschool |
| Big Sandy Rancheria | Hinds Hospice, Fresno SOS |
| Boys & Girls Club of Fresno County | Jack and Jill's Learning Center |
| Bright Minds Daycare | Kastner Intermediate |
| California Early Childhood Mentor Program | Kids Kasa Foster Care, Inc. |
| California Psychological Institute | KYJO Enterprise |
| California State University, Fresno | Little Miracles Christian Preschool |
| California Teaching Fellows | Madera Department of Social Services |
| CAPMC- Head Start | Madera Sunrise Rotary |
| Care Fresno | Marjaree Mason Center |
| Caruthers Nazarene | Mendota Unified School District |
| CASA of Fresno & Madera Counties | Mosqueda Head Start |
| Center for Family Strengthening, SLO Co. | Office of Child Abuse Prevention |
| Central California Autism Center | Owen's Valley Career Development Center |
| Central Calif. Coalition of CAPCs | Parent University |
| Centro Binacional Para El Desarrollo Indigena Oaxaqueno | Parlier Migrant Child Care Center |
| Centro la Familia | Phoenix Academy |
| Children's Learning Center | Planned Parenthood Mar Monte |
| Children's Services Network | Proteus Inc. |
| Chrysalis House Inc. | Reading and Beyond |
| City of Reedley | Safe Kids Central California |
| Clovis Community College | Sanger Leap |
| Clovis Community Medical Center | Selma Neighborhood Resource Center & Differential Response |
| Clovis Police Department | Stone Soup |
| Clovis Unified School District | Strategies 2.0 |
| Coalinga Neighborhood Resource Center | Tilley Elementary |
| College Assistance Migrant Program, CSUF | Turning Point |
| Community Based Learning, CSUF | USCF Fresno Center for Medical Education & Research |
| Community Care Licensing | Upward Bound- Reedley |
| Community Regional Medical Center | Valley Children's Healthcare |
| Comprehensive Youth Services | Valley Children's Medical Group |
| Creative Minds | VMS Family Counseling Services |
| Deaf and Hard of Hearing Center | West Fresno Family Resource Center |
| Dermer's Creative Care | West Hills College |
| Every Neighborhood Partnership | Where the Garden Grows Preschool |
| Exceptional Parents Unlimited | WIC-United Health Centers |
| Fig Garden Library | Youth Centers of America |
| Focus Forward | |
| Franklin Head Start | |
| Fresno Barrios Unidos | |
| Fresno Co. Board of Supervisors | |
| Fresno Co. Dept. of Public Health | |
| Fresno Co. District Attorney's Office | |
| Fresno Co. Family Child Care Association | |
| Fresno Co. Pediatric Death Review Committee | |
| Fresno Co. Superintendent of Schools | |
| Fresno Co. Sheriff | |
| Fresno Co. Dept. of Social Services | |
| Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission | |
| Fresno Housing Authority | |
| Fresno Pacific University | |



2017-18 CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION & INTERVENTION SERVICES

15,059 – Child Abuse Pamphlets distributed
 2,536 – Professionals trained in Mandated Reporting
 645 – Children trained in Internet Safety Risks
 616 – Information and Referral Calls
 493 – Adults trained in Child Abuse and Neglect
 293 – RT/OCAP/LCF- Collaborative trainings
 286 – Children trained in Talking About Touching
 179 – Resource Posters distributed
 169 – Adults trained in Stewards of Children
 78 – Adults trained in Internet Safety Risks
 54 – Adults trained in Alternative Discipline
 47 – Pediatric Death Reviews

20,455 – TOTAL NUMBER OF SERVICES



PUBLIC SUPPORT & REVENUE FOR JULY 2017-JUNE 2018

GRANTS

Fresno Co. Children's Trust Fund\$185,916
 Fansler Foundation\$59,484
 The 5th Commandment Fund.....\$13,000

REVENUE FOR TRAININGS

MDRT, SOC, TAT, AD, CA, ISR \$5,001

CONTRIBUTIONS

CCFMG Board of Directors..... \$5,000
 April Campaign & Miscellaneous Contributions.....
 \$3,886
 New Covenant Church \$3,583
 FCCAP Board Members\$2,800
 Bank of the Sierra..... \$2,000
 Fig Garden Rotary..... \$1,415
 Year End Memberships\$996

TOTAL REVENUE.....\$283,081

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