



INTERCOMMUNITY
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Intercommunity Child Guidance Center receives \$166,000 in Grant Funding

Whittier, CA –The Intercommunity Child Guidance Center (ICGC) has received a total of \$166,000 in grant funding during the fourth quarter ending 2005! Funders include The Rose Hills Foundation, Weingart Foundation, The Sacchi Foundation, Kaiser Permanente, City of Santa Fe Springs, City of Whittier, and the City of Pico Rivera. ICGC is extremely grateful to its strategic partners for their commitment to strengthening child mental health services and providing much needed resources that allow ICGC to meet the complex needs of its immediate communities.

Private donations in 2005 enabled ICGC to increase the number of clients receiving services from 2,500 to 3,500. It also increased the number of Parent Education courses—offered at no cost to local residents—to three per week. Keeping to its philosophy of providing family centered treatment, the agency has implemented a specialized Fatherhood group that focuses on the healthy involvement of fathers in the lives of their children. In addition, ICGC has extended the hours of *Snug Harbor*, its free child care service, for families who cannot find immediate, affordable child care while receiving treatment at ICGC.

Moreover, transitioning into a new 25,000 square-foot building in early 2005 has resulted in improved efficacy in services by being centrally locating, visible and accessible to the community. Private donations make it possible for ICGC to maintain its new facility so it remains a place where children and families feel welcome, safe and special.

The Intercommunity Child Guidance Center is a 501 (c)(3), non-profit, organization established in 1957 with the mission to provide comprehensive mental health and social services to children and their families. Developing healthy alternatives to abuse and violence, emotional and behavioral challenges, results in healthy children, families and communities. ICGC is a professionally staffed outpatient mental health center for children and adolescents who experience psychological, developmental, behavioral, social or family problems. The ICGC guiding philosophy is to promote and support the well-being of children within their family systems. ICGC programming includes family centered treatment for parents, siblings, and caregivers. ICGC strives to assist children to have a real opportunity to live in a healthy, nurturing, and growth-promoting environment and is committed to helping children achieve optimal potential.

Since 1957, ICGC has strengthened families through education, early intervention and treatment. ICGC serves more than 3,500 children and families annually from the communities of Whittier, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, La Mirada, Montebello, Los Nietos and La Habra Heights.

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