



FAMILY SERVICES

PROGRAMS

- **Welcome Baby**

SHIELDS' Welcome Baby program serves pregnant and parenting women and their children ages 0-5. The program is available at no cost to South Los Angeles families who deliver or plan to deliver at one of 3 participating Welcome Baby hospitals, including St. Francis Medical Center, Centinela Hospital, and Martin Luther King Community Hospital.

- **Parents as Teachers**

SHIELDS' PAT Program is an early childhood parent education and family support program serving families from pregnancy up to the child's 5th birthday or enrollment in kindergarten.

- **Healthy Families America**

SHIELDS' HFA Program is designed to work with families who are at-risk for child abuse and neglect and other adverse childhood experiences from pregnancy up to the child's 5th birthday.

- **Healthy Start**

SHIELDS' Healthy Start program serves pregnant and inter-conceptual women and their children ages 0-18 months who reside in the South Los Angeles community.

- **Child Development Center**

SHIELDS' Child Development Centers provide services to children 0-5 years of age, and their parents enrolled in a SHIELDS program.



SERVICES

Program services include:

- Intensive case management
- In-home services
- Resource linkages
- Bonding/attachment
- Breastfeeding support and education
- Post-partum mental health assessment
- Child development screenings
- Health and safety education

PARTNERS

- Baby 2 Baby
- LA Best Babies Network
- Good+Foundation
- Best Start

FUNDERS

First 5 LA, DPSS Cal Works, LA County Department of Mental Health, and California Home Visitation Program provide funding and support for SHIELDS family services programs and informational materials.

ABOUT US

SHIELDS was incorporated in 1991 in response to the high incidence of infants born prenatally exposed to drugs in South Central Los Angeles. Our services have grown to provide over 30 comprehensive, family-centered, wrap-around programs addressing issues facing high-risk families in South LA.

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