Partners in Prevention
Thriving families through a connected community

OUR VISION:
To cultivate a connected community that nurtures caring, strong, safe and healthy families.
If we increase family protective factors we can decrease the likelihood of child abuse and neglect and increase child and family well-being.

WHAT WE WILL DO:
Imagine a family able to access services when, where and how they want them and before crisis. The services are strengths-based, family-centered, trauma informed and culturally responsive. Families and caregivers of children 0-5 get the support and resources they deserve and want, which decreases parental stress and the likelihood of maltreatment and increases protective factors, healthy child development, connectedness and child and family well-being.
With partners, we will work to make this a reality in San Diego County.

HOW WE WILL DO IT:
The following activities will help actualize our VISION through engagement, input gathering and shared decision making with families, caregivers and service staff:

- Establish shared language and develop cross sector strategies and promotion of child and family well-being.
- Consistently understand family strengths and needs and respond using 211 San Diego’s Community Information Exchange as a shared referral pathway.
- Training and support for integration of family strengthening best practices including: Trauma Informed Care, Culturally Responsive Practice, Protective Factors and more.
- Improve coordination, communication and partnership between family serving organizations in San Diego County.
- Increase access to Behavior Consultation support for children 0-5 and their adult caregivers. Offered to children, families and Early Care and Education providers.
**WHO WE ARE:**
Partners in Prevention is a San Diego countywide initiative that is stewarded by YMCA Childcare Resource Services in partnership with Child Welfare Services, San Diego State University's Social Policy Institute, Harder and Company Community Research, and encompasses many cross sector partners as well as community members and those with lived child welfare experience.

**GET INVOLVED:**
Partners in Prevention welcomes all who are interested to participate in this community initiative. Ways you can get involved: participate in our workgroups, participate in training support, join 211 San Diego's Community Information Exchange (CIE), request Behavior Consultation support services and join our Partner Network. Contact us for more information!

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**OUR VALUES:**

**EQUITY:** we will acknowledge, address and actively challenge historical and systemic inequities that disproportionately impact children and families of color and those living in poverty

**IMPACT:** we will catalyze culturally appropriate, strengths-based, evidence-informed and outcomes-driven efforts to increase child and family well-being

**INCLUSION:** we will seek out diverse voices and honor perspectives of those with lived experiences to inform our work and influence system change to better support all families to thrive

**PARTNERSHIP & COLLABORATION:** we will actively build trusting, authentic and productive relationships to improve outcomes for children and families

**ACCOUNTABILITY:** our work will align, leverage and expand partnerships to achieve shared goals for children and families in San Diego

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