



Kamali'i
Foster Family Agency

2016 Annual Report

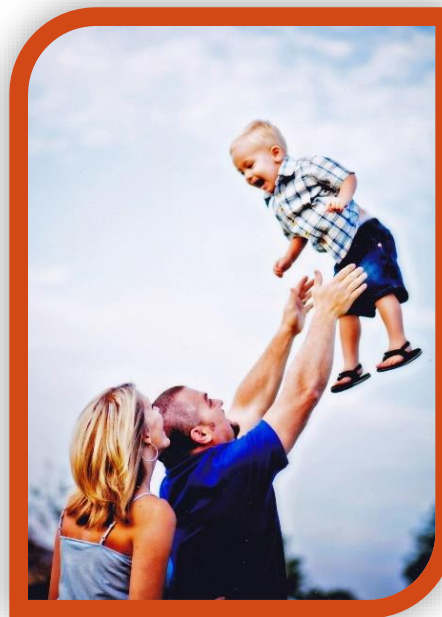


Our Mission

Kamali'i Foster Family Agency's mission is to provide foster youth and young adults with quality trained foster families while providing individualized treatment services. Goals of reunification and permanency are supported while empowering youth to be positive participants in their community.

Our Vision

Kamali'i Foster Family Agency envisions a future where... Families are supported in keeping children safe and healthy while empowering youth for future success.



Kamali'i Foster Family Agency, Inc.

Established in 1998, Kamali'i Foster Family Agency has provided excellent treatment-level foster care services to children and families in the San Diego, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. In 2016, Kamali'i FFA served 213 children, youth and young adults in foster placement while achieving high successful permanency outcomes.

Kamali'i FFA looks to provide for the needs in the communities it serves by providing quality trained families who nurture, support and guide children who are placed in foster care due to suffering from various forms of abuse and/or neglect. One of the common phrases heard at Kamali'i FFA is "from initial placement to reunification". Through the services that we provide, children are able to be placed in a loving home that encourages them to grow into positive participants in their communities, empowered with the skills to not just survive but to reach their individual goals.

With the support of our key champions, Kamali'i FFA has been able to provide support programs and services to our youth and families such as our Drug and Alcohol Awareness Program, the H.O.P.E. Independent Living Skills Program, and the Kamali'i Kids Club.

With a staff of 13 full-time professionals, Kamali'i FFA continues to strive for excellence moving forward as we strive towards additional programs and services in 2017 and 2018.

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Letter from the President/CEO:

2016 has been a year of change, growth, and success! Over the course of the year we have been in full planning and preparation for the Continuum of Care Reform (CCR) California introduced that is forever changing the face of foster care. Everyone is learning new foster care language like Resource Family Approval, Trauma-Informed Care, Cultural Competence and Humility, Child and Family Teams, etc. In 2016 we achieved a huge accomplishment in receiving a 3-year Accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities or better known as CARF Accreditation.



I am so ever grateful to our staff and families as they all played a very important role in the process and the accomplishment could not have been done without them. We expanded our offices to provide more space for our staff and to better facilitate trainings and conferences. In 2016 we enjoyed spending time with our families at Knott's Soak City, a San Diego Padres game, Bowling, Picnics and an end of the year Christmas party at Pins-N-Pockets. A lot was accomplished in 2016 but now it's time to look towards 2017 and the exciting changes that are taking place.

The State of California in conjunction with county child welfare agencies were required to implement a unified Resource Family Approval process effective January 1, 2017. The Resource Family Approval process is a new, family friendly, and child-centered approval process for all types of permanency placements that includes one application, one background check, combined home environment and permanency assessments, pre-approval and post-approval training for all families. The Resource Family Approval process is designed to streamline the approval process to accomplish permanency by combining elements of the current licensing, relative approval, adoption and guardianship processes. Our families both new and veteran will be going through a Resource Family Approval process in some form. Some families will be participating in just a small portion of the conversion process and some will be new to the process and learning about it from their initial orientation through final approval.

I am looking forward to what 2017 holds for the organization and the families that it provides support to. Families that will provide permanent homes to children in need and families that will help children heal and reunify with biological families. Families that will bring joy and laughter into a child's life and families that will become lifelong connections for young adults moving on to the next stages of their lives. Whatever challenges and accomplishments 2017 brings I know that the staff, families and friends of Kamali'i Foster Family Agency will continue to be advocates of change, growth and success in the lives of the children that we serve.

J. Eric Mortensen, M.S.
President/CEO
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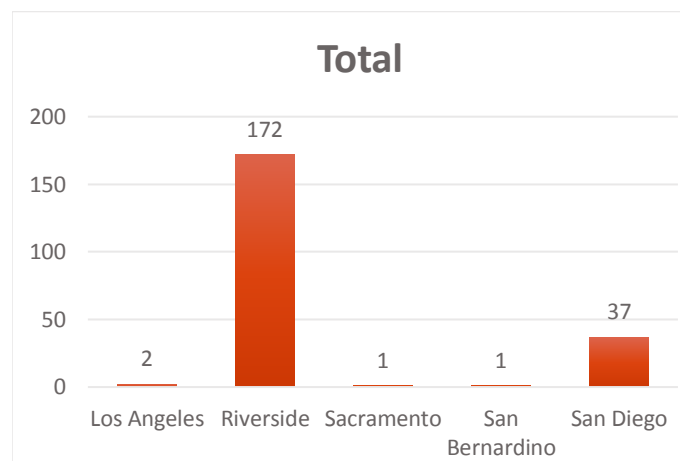
2016 Kamali'i Foster Family Agency Statistics

2016 Placement Statistics

Kamali'i Foster Family Agency provided services and supports to 213 youth and young adults throughout 2016. The majority of children were from Riverside County consisting of 81% of the total youth that were placed. 17% of the youth served were from San Diego County followed by a total of 2% from Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Sacramento Counties. The majority of children placed were between the ages of 0 and 4 making up 40% of the total population served. 28% of the population served were between the ages of 5 and 8, 13% between the ages of 9 and 11, 9% between the ages of 12 and 14 and 10% between the ages of 15 and 18. The Agency provided services and supports to a very similar number of boys (49%) and girls (51%).

2016 KFFA Placements by County

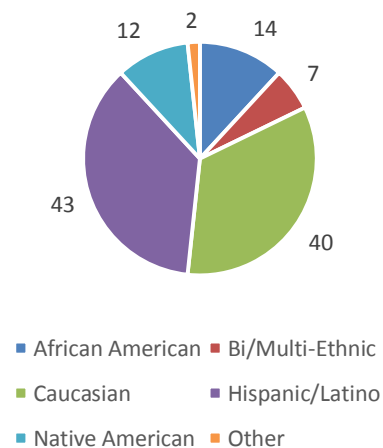
Riverside	172	81%
San Diego	37	17%
Los Angeles	2	1%
San Bernardino	1	.5%
Sacramento	1	.5%



2016 Placement Ethnicity Breakdown

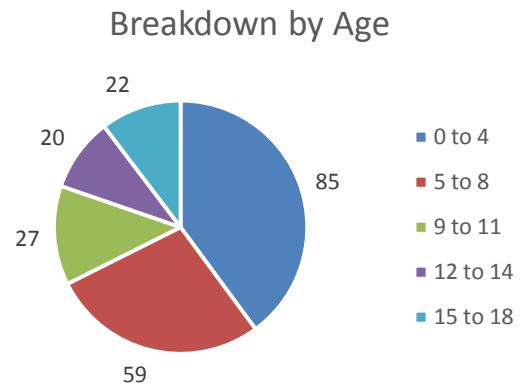
African American	14	11.8%
Bi/Multi-Ethnic	7	5.9%
Caucasian	40	33.8%
Hispanic/Latino	43	36.4%
Native American	12	10.1%
Other	2	1.6%

Ethnicity Breakdown



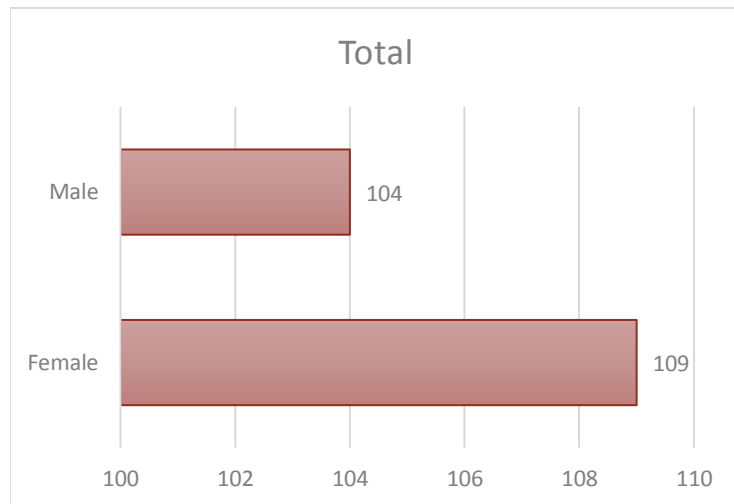
2016 Placement Breakdown by Age

0 to 4	85	40%
5 to 8	59	28%
9 to 11	27	13%
12 to 14	20	09%
15 to 18	22	10%



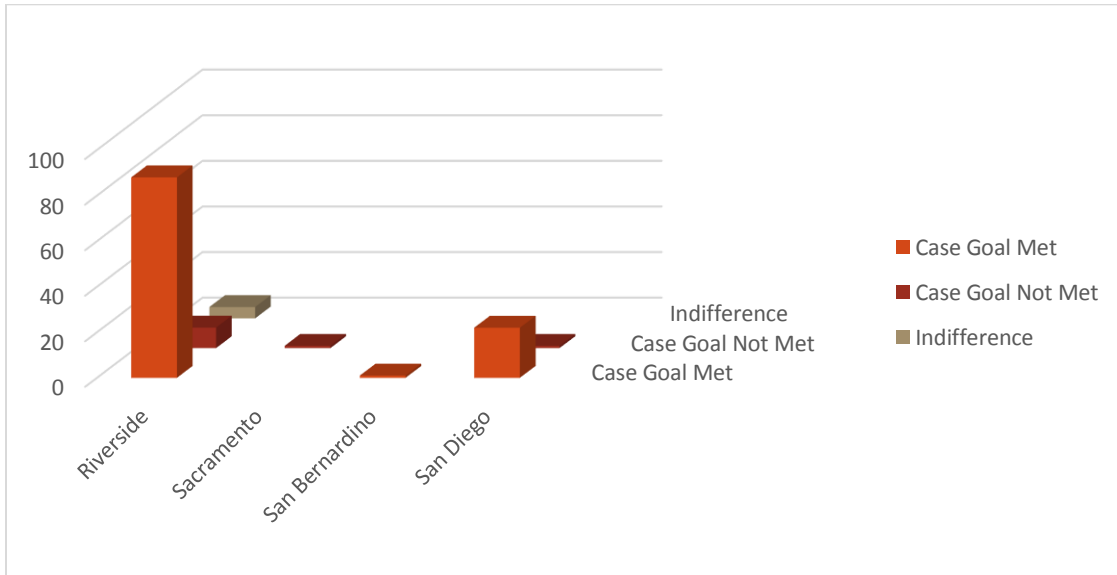
2016 FFA Gender Breakdown

Male	104	49%
Female	109	51%



2016 Successful Placements/Achieved Permanency – (127 Discharges)

2016 was an exceptional year for Kamali'i Foster Family Agency in terms of successful discharges. Children and youth placed with the Agency obtained their case goals 87% of the time. As an Agency we set our goal at an 80% success rate and surpassed that by 7%. A case goal was attained if a child was successfully reunified with family, adopted, placed in an adoptive home, transitioned to transitional housing or moved away to attend college. An indifference was attained if a child or youth was moved due to reasons outside of the Agency control such as a Court order.



Riverside County	88 of 102	Case Goals Met
San Diego County	22 of 23	Case Goals Met
San Bernardino County	1 of 1	Case Goals Met
Sacramento County	0 of 1	Case Goals Met

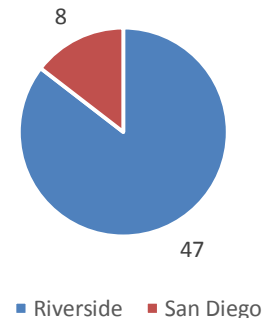
2016 Certified Foster Home Statistics

Kamali'i Foster Family Agency maintained 55 Certified Foster Homes at the end of 2016. 6 New families were certified over the year representing a decrease in new homes from 2015 by 15. Kamali'i FFA's main source of advertisement closed its door this year resulting in the lower number of new families. 3 Certified Foster Homes closed their doors to foster care due to finalizing adoptions of the minors placed in their homes. The families of Kamali'i FFA provide for a good representation of the diversity of the children and families that we serve.

2016 Certified Homes

Riverside	47
San Diego	8

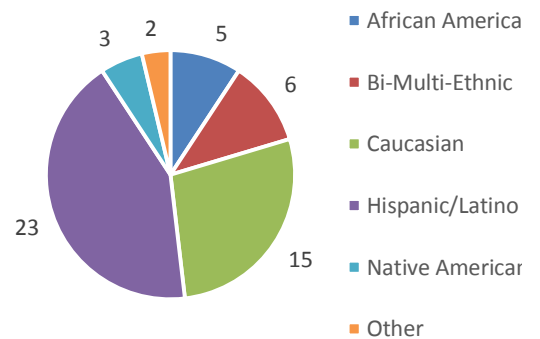
Certified Homes



2016 Certified Homes Ethnicity Breakdown

African American	5	9.2%
Bi/Multi-Ethnic	6	11%
Caucasian	15	27.7%
Hispanic/Latino	23	42.5%
Native American	3	5.5%
Other	2	3.7%

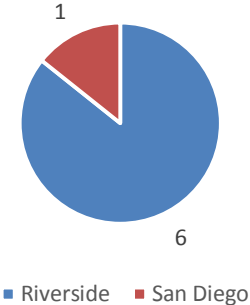
Ethnicity Breakdown



2016 Newly Certified Homes

Riverside	6
San Diego	1

Newly Certified Homes



Thank You to Our 2016 Generous Donors

- The Assistance League of Temecula Valley
- SRC - Young Professionals Network
- Gateway Foundation
- Genoptix Medical Laboratories
- Packing 4 Hope
- Pacific Western Bank
- Padres Charity Ticket Program
- Morongo Band of Mission Indians
- Rainbow Christian Children's Foundation
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