4KIDS of South Florida - Safe Families Program

827 S. State Road 7, Building 1, Suite B, North Lauderdale, FL 33068

HOURS: Monday-Friday 9am-5pm, evenings and weekends as needed

Program designed for families who are experiencing a temporary crisis which is making it hard to parent their children as well as work through the crisis situation. These families can choose to voluntarily place their children into a certified Safe Family to ensure their children's safety while the parent then is freed up to find a job, find housing, go to drug/alcohol rehab, have a medical procedure done, or take care of whatever the crisis may be. This is not foster care. It is a voluntary placement in which the biological parent keeps full custody of their children. The Safe Families have had home studies completed as well as level two background screens completed on them prior to becoming certified.

BC HS CPD Sexual Assault Treatment Center

BC SATC - Crisis Intake Unit

400 NE Fourth Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

HOURS: 24-hours, 7 days a week

Provides forensic medical examinations and interviews, crisis counseling and victim advocacy, intake for all sexual assault treatment center and evening/weekend child protection team services.

BC SATC - Child Protection Team

400 NE Fourth Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

HOURS: 24/7 accessibility

RESTRICTED REFERRAL: DCF and Broward Sheriff's Office - Provides child forensic medical examinations by Board Certified medical professionals; conducts child forensic or specialized interviews, psychological evaluations and medical consultations. Referrals accepted from BSO Child Protective Investigations Section and law enforcement on those cases accepted by the Florida Abuse Hotline for investigation.

BC SATC - Sexual Assault & Abuse Counseling

400 NE Fourth Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

HOURS: 24/7 for Crisis Intake and Hotline Services; Counseling Mon-Thurs 8:30am-8:30pm, Fri-

Provides individual, family and group counseling for child and adult victims of sexual assault and/or sexual abuse and their non-offending family members. Also offers the following support groups:
Survivors of Incest - Teen Group, Adult Group; Survivors of Rape - Teen Group, Adult Group,
Children's Psycho-education Group and non-offending caretakers' Group.

Brookwood Florida - East, Inc.

Brookwood - Coral Springs

11461 NW 43rd Street, Coral Springs, FL 33065

HOURS: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

A therapeutic group home for teen girls from backgrounds of abuse, neglect and family dysfunction, with a focus on counseling, independent living skills, education and employability skills (24-hour supervision).
Brookwood - St. Petersburg

901 Seventh Avenue, Other FL County, FL 33705

**HOURS:** 24 hours, 7 days a week  
**Phone:** (727) 822-4789

Therapeutic group home for teen girls from backgrounds of abuse, neglect and family dysfunction. Focus is on counseling, independent living skills, education and employability skills; 24 hour supervision.

Broward County Sheriff's Office - BSO

**BSO - Child Protective Investigative Services**

359 North State Road 7, Plantation, FL 33317

**HOURS:** 24 hours, 7 days a week  
**Phone:** (954) 797-5299

RESTRICTED REFERRAL: Provides child protective investigations. Reports must first be filed with Abuse Registry.

Calvary Chapel Fort Lauderdale

**Calvary Chapel - Kidsplace**

6800 NW 31st Way, 4Kids of South Florida, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

**HOURS:** Monday-Friday 9am-5pm  
**Phone:** (954) 979-7911

RESTRICTED REFERRAL - Contracted emergency shelter for children ages 4-14 years old who have been removed from their home due to abuse, abandonment and/or neglect.

Camelot Community Care Inc.

**Camelot Community Care - Family Development Program**

1925 South Perimeter Road, Suite# 120, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

**HOURS:** Monday-Friday 9am-5pm; After hours available as needed  
**Phone:** (954) 958-0988

Provides in-home family-oriented counseling to families of at-risk youth ages 10 - 17. Counseling focuses on family stability and building on strengths to address areas such as risk of abuse/neglect, parent/child conflict, youth emotional/behavioral issues, family stress, poor familial communication, parenting issues, involvement in the juvenile justice system and other risk factors threatening the family unit. Program usually lasts 4 - 6 months with at least one weekly counseling session.

**Camelot Community Care - Family Directions Program**

1925 South Perimeter Road, Suite# 120, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

**HOURS:** Monday-Friday 9am-5pm; Saturday and Sunday on-call available  
**Phone:** (954) 958-0988

A diversion program which provides family counseling using functional family therapy with adolescents who have a law violation. Referrals received from the State Attorney's Office.
ChildNet, Inc.

ChildNet - SafePlace
313 North State Road 7, Plantation, FL  33317

HOURS: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week  
Phone: (954) 414-6005

RESTRICTED REFERRAL: ChildNet is responsible for child protection, foster care, adoptions and related services in Broward County. They provide intake, foster care and shelter placement for children referred by the protective investigative unit of the Broward Sheriff's office.

ChildNet - Central Service Center
313 North State Road 7, Fort Lauderdale, FL  33317

HOURS: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm  
Phone: (954) 414-6000

RESTRICTED REFERRAL: ChildNet is responsible for child protection, foster care, adoptions and related services in Broward County. They provide intake, foster care and shelter placement for children referred by the protective investigative unit of the Broward Sheriff's office.

Children’s Home Society of Florida

Children’s Home Society - Therapeutic Group Home
401 NE Fourth Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL  33301

HOURS: 24 hours, 7 days a week  
Phone: (954) 453-6400

RESTRICTED REFERRAL: ChildNet/COURT - A 12 bed home that provides therapeutic group care for boys ages 8 - 15. Home is run and operated by trained staff 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Provides supportive services and crisis stabilization to children who are removed from their homes as a direct result of abuse, neglect, exploitation and/or abandonment and have not had successful placements. Devoted staff promotes trust through a safe, nurturing, child-centered environment and teaching coping and socialization skills to the boys.

Chrysalis Center, The

Chrysalis Center - STARRT - Outpatient
3800 West Broward Blvd, Suite 201, Fort Lauderdale, FL  33312

HOURS: Monday-Friday 9am-5:30pm  
Phone: (954) 587-1008

STARTT (Sexual Trauma and Risk Reduction Treatment ) provides outpatient services for children and adolescents displaying a wide range of sexual behavior problems. Individual and family therapy are available in the home, school or traditional office setting. Program goals include stopping the cycle of child abuse with emphasis placed on increasing client awareness for personal sexual behavior problems and patterns, teaching effective self monitoring, and fostering the development and internalization of self-control.
Programs / Services Addressing Child Abuse / Neglect in Broward County

FL Dept of Children and Families - FDCF

Abuse Registry 800-96-ABUSE

Florida Protective Services System, Fort Lauderdale, FL

HOURS: 24 hours, 7 days a week

Accepts reports of child abuse, neglect and reports of abuse, neglect and exploitation of disabled adults or adults over age 60 years old; hotline counselor assesses the information provided and determines if the information provided meets statutory criteria for the Department of Children and Families to conduct an investigation.

There are four ways to file an abuse report:
1) By Phone 1-800-96ABUSE (1-800-962-2873)
2) By Fax 1-800-914-0004
3) By TDD 1-800-453-5145

Talk to a counselor at above number (2) Fax a written report with all information including information on the person filing report (3) Leave Voice Mail of report to include name of person reporting and number where can be reached. Takes reports from anonymous callers.

Handy, Inc.

Handy - Helping Abused, Neglected, Disadvantaged Youth

101 NE Third Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

HOURS: Monday - Friday 8:30am-5pm (Administration); Tuesday-Saturday 8:30am-3pm (Clothing)

RESTRICTED REFERRAL: ChildNet - Program activities include assessments of youth interests, aptitudes and abilities, bi-weekly life skills instruction, academic support including tutoring and scholarships, employment skills training, community resources, experiential learning trips, healthcare and mental health support, emergency assistance, transitional independent living (TIL) support for older youth, emergency services and ongoing follow up services. The program consists of two components 1) Youth Development for younger youth ages 11-17 and 2) Transitional Independent Living for older youth aging out of the Child Protection System ages 18-23. Many program activities overlap both age groups. Free clothing bank.

Haven, The

Haven, The - Residential

21441 Boca Rio Road, Boca Raton, FL 33433

HOURS: Monday-Friday 8am-5pm (Administration); Services 24 hours/ 7 days a week

RESTRICTED REFERRAL: - The Haven is a therapeutic group home for abused, neglected and abandoned boys ages 9-18. The Haven provides clinical diagnostic services, including individual and group counseling, recreational and vocational opportunities, tutoring, independent living and socialization skills.

Henderson Behavioral Health Center, Inc

Henderson - Family Resource Team

2900 West Prospect Road, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

HOURS: Monday-Friday 8am-8pm (on-call 24 hours)

RESTRICTED REFERRAL: BSO: Upon receiving referrals from BSO child abuse investigators, the Family Resource Team assesses and makes referrals for behavioral health care needs as identified.
Internet Sites (URL's)

**Sexual Predator Locator - Florida**
http://offender.fdle.state.fl.us/, "Unknown", FL

HOURS: 24 hours a day
Check for Sexual Predators in your area.

**Broward AWARE - Protecting Our Children**, Fort Lauderdale, FL

HOURS: 24/7 2-1-1 Helpline

Broward AWARE! Protecting OUR Children is a full scale awareness Child Abuse Prevention campaign that aims to ensure that Broward County families, educators, law enforcement and media use and share those resources available from 2-1-1 Broward so that all children can safely realize their full potential, their hopes and dreams. Visit the website for more details and community events.

**Jewish Adoption and Foster Care Options**

**Jewish Adoption and Foster Care Options - Family Preservation**
4200 North University Drive, Sunrise, FL 33351

HOURS: Monday-Friday 8:30am-5pm; Saturday and Sunday (on-call)

Targets at-risk families where at least one parent or extended family member can provide a safe home for the child, with a goal to strengthen and empower the family and to prevent out of home placement for a child who has experienced abuse or neglect.

**Kids In Distress Inc.**

**Kids In Distress - Supervised Visitation**
819 NE 26th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33305

HOURS: Flexible hours

KIDS provides supervised and therapeutic visitation when court orders for dependent children and parent(s).

**Kids in Distress - KID Crisis Home (KCH)**
819 NE 28th Street, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

HOURS: 24 hours, 7 days a week

RESTRICTED REFERRAL: DCF - Short-term emergency shelter providing 24-hour intake and awake supervision for children under the age of 12; services support crisis stabilization of young victims, temporarily removed from their families care by courts. The KCH staff encourages trust and treatment through a safe, nurturing, child centered environment; they teach healthy adjustment and social skills, facilitates the State's investigatory and judicial process, as well as KIDS's therapeutic services.
Kids in Distress - KID Therapeutic and Behavioral Preschools

819 NE 26th Street, Wilton Manors, FL  33305

HOURS:  Monday-Friday 8am-6pm

Provides developmental and behavioral remediation and mental health services to children between age 13 months to 5 years old who have a documented history of physical and/or sexual abuse or are at-risk; individualized behavioral, educational plans and classroom remediations, coordinated with therapeutic interventions, encourage each child to achieve their fullest potential (staff/child ratio is 1:4).

Kids in Distress - Infant and Toddler Emergency Shelter (KITES)

823 NE 26th Street, Wilton Manors, FL  33305

HOURS:  24 hours, 7 days a week

RESTRICTED REFERRAL: Serves children ages newborn to 3 years old who are having moderate medical complications resulting from drug exposure, physical abuse or sexually transmitted diseases (such as HIV); each requiring medical support services too intensive for family care, yet not so severe as to necessitate hospitalization. Children receive 24-hour pediatric monitoring, infant mental health services, physical therapy, stimulation, supportive family visitations and abundant nurturing within a small, richly staffed community based nursery.

Kids in Distress - Coordinated Family & Reunification Services

819 NE 26th Street, Wilton Manors, FL  33305

HOURS:  Monday-Friday 8:30am-5pm (24 hour on-call support)

Provides services to parents who are working on reunification or prevention, including substance abuse treatment, domestic violence intervention and parenting skills training. The agencies that specialize in these interventions provide the services at Kids in Distress. A social worker may also be assigned to work with families in their homes. Services also provided in the North and South areas of Broward.

Kids In Distress - KID's Family Support Program

819 NE 26th Street, Wilton Manors, FL  33305

HOURS:  Monday-Friday 8am-5pm

Provides prevention services and family support to families.

Laws and Public Policies

Safe Haven for Newborns - Florida Law

42170 West's F.S.A. @ 383.50, Title XXIX, Chapter 383, "Unknown", FL

HOURS:  24 hours, 7 days a week

This law provides that any mother/father may elect to leave their newborn (defined as 7 days old or younger) at any fire station staffed with either full-time firefighters or emergency medical technicians without fear of pursuit, arrest or harassment and may enjoy full anonymity except in cases of actual or suspected abuse or neglect. Newborns under this definition may also be left at any emergency room of any hospital subject to s.395.1041. Hospitals other than these may, at their discretion, also accept newborns under this definition. Any parent who leaves a newborn in accordance with this law is presumed to have consented to termination of parental rights but such right may be re-asserted if action is taken prior to the court entering a judgment that such rights are terminated.
Minority Development and Empowerment Inc.

**MDE - Family Intervention Program**

5225 NW 33 Avenue, Building 5, Suite 5225, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

**HOURS:** Monday -Friday 8:30am-6pm

Restricted Referral ChildNet - Provides reunification services to Haitian, Caribbean and Hispanic families whose children are under state custody and/or foster care placement due to neglected/abuse charges. Court proceedings and case plans are addressed. MDEI provides mandated parenting classes, supervised visitations; counseling services, community referrals and interpretation assistance for non-English speaking parents.

Mount Bethel Human Services Corporation Inc.

**Mount Bethel - Neighborhood Partnership Program**

1409 NW Sixth Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

**HOURS:** Monday-Friday 9am-5:30pm

Designed to provide abuse prevention and intervention services to families in the 33311 zip code of Broward County. Service activities are designed to promote community mobilization, strengthen agency collaboration, and encourage networking among community residents and organizations. The program addresses child abuse and neglect by raising neighborhood awareness of child safety issues and empowering neighborhood residents to become more involved with families at risk of abusing and neglecting their children.

Nova Southeastern University

**Nova - Trauma Resolution Program**

3301 College Avenue, NSU Psychology Services Center, Davie, FL 33314

**HOURS:** Monday-Thursday 9am-9pm, Friday 9am-5pm, Sat 9am-1pm

Provides individual and group therapy to adults 18 and older who have psychological difficulties related to the experience of traumas (e.g. child abuse, violent assault, rape, life threatening accidents or natural disasters) or problems related to dissociative experiences.

**Nova - Child and Adolescent Traumatic Stress Program CATSP**

3301 College Avenue, NSU Psychology Services Center, Davie, FL 33314

**HOURS:** Monday-Thursday 9am-9pm; Friday 9am-5pm

Provides psychological assessment, evaluation, individual, family and play therapy for children and their families. Serves children and families who are experiencing problems as a result of some sort of trauma. Program also provides court ordered psychological evaluations and therapeutic services for families involved with family court.

School Board - Student Services (SS)

**BC Schools - Child Abuse Services**

600 SW Third Avenue, 7th Floor, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

**HOURS:** Monday-Friday 7:30am-3pm

Provides case consultation and supportive services to school administrators and children identified or at high risk for child abuse, abandonment or neglect, this includes victims of domestic violence and sexual behavioral problems. Support services include training, policy and procedural development and consultation for school personnel in the identification and mandatory reporting of possible abuse or neglect and liaison services for community agencies to assist in the coordination of follow-up and care to students.
Support Groups - Health

Chef David's Kids

1100 East Oakland Park Blvd, Suite #203, Fort Lauderdale, FL  33334

HOURS:  24 hours, 7 days a week

A 24-hour charity group for children between age 1 week to 18 years old, afflicted with any form of terminal illness such as cancer, leukemia and pediatric HIV; also helps with neglected and/or abused children and children in other countries.

Toll-Free Helplines

Family Source of Florida 800-FLA-LOVE - Parent Support Line

345 Office Plaza Drive, Tallahassee, FL  32301

HOURS:  24 hours, 7 days a week

Provides telephone counseling for parental stress and for parents who are concerned about hurting their children. Offers information and referral.

loveisrespect.org - National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline

P.O. Box 161810, Other - State, TX  78716

HOURS:  24 hours per day

loveisrespect.org the National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline (NTDAH) is a 24-hour national web-based and telephone helpline created to help teens (ages 13-18) experiencing dating abuse. Loveisrespect.org provides resources for teens, parents, friends and family, Advocates, government officials, law enforcement officials and the general public. All communication is confidential and anonymous.