

Hope Street Margolis Family Center was established in 1992 as a collaboration between the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) and California Hospital Medical Center.

Hope Street empowers and strengthens families by addressing the social determinants of health through a continuum of care that includes health screening, mental health, literacy, early childhood education, early intervention, child welfare, youth and social services. Hope Street's mission is to **educate children, strengthen families and transform community.**

Hope Street focuses its efforts on some of the poorest and most densely populated areas in Los Angeles County:

- 40% of households earn less than \$25,000 per year
- 45% of children 0-5 live in poverty
- 70% of the population within this area is Latino, and Spanish is the primary language spoken by 65% of area residents
- Nearly 55% of adults over age 25 living below the poverty line have not completed high school



ORGANIZATIONAL OVERVIEW

- Serves over **5,000** children and parents annually
- Staffed by **over 140** culturally and linguistically diverse professionals including psychologists, social workers, teachers and nurses
- Supported by **75** mentors, tutors, and advisory volunteers
- Partnerships with over **30** community agencies

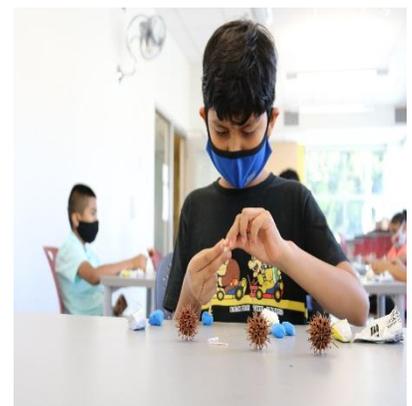


ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIPS

- California State University
 - Los Angeles
 - Long Beach
 - Dominguez Hills
 - Northridge
- Mount St. Mary's University
- University of California Los Angeles

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS (partial list)

- LA County Department of Children and Family Services
- LA County Department of Mental Health
- LA County Department of Public Health
- Los Angeles City College
- Los Angeles Trade Technical College
- Pico Union Housing Corporation



GEOGRAPHIC SERVICE AREA

- City Council Districts 1, 9, 14 and 15
- Service Planning Areas (SPA) 4 and 6
- Los Angeles County Supervisorial Districts 1 and 2

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Early Head Start (EHS) -- Funded by the US Department of Health and Human Services, the EHS program currently serves 298 low-income pregnant women and families with children, 0-3 years of age, through a comprehensive array of early education, disabilities, health, mental health, nutrition, and family support services that optimize children's early learning, growth and development. Program services support family stability by encouraging parental education, job training, and economic self-sufficiency.

Early Childhood Centers -- Three licensed early care and education centers help fill our community's urgent need for high quality childcare and school readiness services. Centers provide full-day, year-round early care and education for 160 infants, toddlers, and pre-school aged children, within fully exclusive settings. Services are designed to meet the specific needs of low-income parents employed in the nearby garment and light manufacturing district.

Youth Center -- After-school and summer youth programs offer educational support, academic enrichment, and recreational opportunities to help school-aged youth reach their potential. Students work in small groups and individually with volunteer mentors to complete homework and improve skills in math and English. A state-of-the-art computer lab provides further support for special projects and homework assignments. Supervised recreational and social activities include soccer, basketball, circus arts, dance, and yoga classes. An outdoor sports court and adjacent park allow for much need health and wellness as well as recreation space.

Family Childcare Network -- With funding from the California Department of Education, Hope Street has organized a network of licensed family childcare providers who offer developmentally enriched childcare for infants, toddlers, and pre-school aged children. Hope Street staff provides intensive coaching and ongoing training and technical assistance to ensure high-quality care. In addition to expanding our community's childcare capacity, this project also has served as an incubator for small family businesses.

Family Literacy -- Family Literacy provides daily ESL, parenting education, and early childhood education services for low-income immigrant families. Developed in collaboration with the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD), the program is designed to increase parental literacy while simultaneously strengthening children's early development and language skills and supporting parents in their role as their child's first and best teacher.

Family Preservation & Wraparound -- Family Preservation and Wraparound services offer an integrated, comprehensive approach to strengthening and preserving families impacted by child abuse and neglect. Services prevent foster placement and support family reunification through intensive therapeutic engagement with the entire family.

Behavioral Health Program -- The LA County Department of Mental Health provides funding for our Behavioral Health Program which offers comprehensive mental health services for children from birth to 21 years of age. Out-patient services include individual, family, and group therapy; psychological assessment; case management support; medication evaluation; and treatment services coordination.

Family Wellness -- Wellness opportunities for adults and children include yoga, dance, Zumba, and fitness classes. Cholesterol screenings, blood pressure analysis, and Body Mass Index (BMI) tests are provided by California Hospital Medical Center's Community Health department. Cooking classes offer education on nutrition and healthy meal preparation for the entire family.

“Health is more than not being sick; it is well-being in mind, body, and community.”