

We are pleased to present our new program!

Building Bright Futures

a program of



Introduce Staff

- Roselia Ramirez, Western Arizona Regional Director
- Kandice Nichols, Lead Parent Educator and Program Supervisor
 - (will be housed in Kingman office)
- Kathleen Fry (Casey), Parent Educator
 - (Bullhead City)

Program Logo



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For Children with Special Needs

Curriculum



Parents as Teachers™

Core Values

- Parents are their children's first and most influential teachers.
- The early years of a child's life are critical for optimal development and provide the foundation for success in school and life.
- Established and emerging research should be the foundation of parent education and family support curricula, training, materials and services.
- All young children and their families deserve the same opportunities to succeed, regardless of any demographic, geographic, or economic considerations.
- An understanding and appreciation of the history and traditions of diverse cultures is essential in serving families.

Information

- Evidence-based, Research informed
- Flexibility to individualize while maintaining the consistency to produce outcomes.
- Formed in 1981.
- Relationship-based and parenting-focused
- Strengths-based approach

Overview of Services

1) Personal Visits-

- Individualized, strength based visits where the Parent Educators focus on child development and parent-child interactions. The curriculum along with the Parent Educators interpersonal and communication skills bring a valuable service to the families helping to meet their goals.

Parent-Child Interaction

- Developing parenting skills that are warm, responsive, encouraging and communicative.
- The Parent Educator acts as a facilitator to incorporate the activities families are already doing and builds on them.

Development-Centered Parenting

- The PAT approach not only informs about child development (milestones), but makes specific connections between the child's stage of development and their behavior.

Family Well-being

- Focus and emphasis on parent/family as a whole.
- Strong families provide a healthy, nurturing environment in which parents and children grow and develop together.

Walk through a Visit

- Milestones Check list
- Personal Visit Planning Guide
- Family Personal Visit Record

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2) Resource Network-

Our agency is committed to building comprehensive, collaborative, and community-based partnerships to help families build on their strengths and support them for long-term self-sufficiency and impact real and long-lasting change. Our Parent Educators assist families to fill the gaps with community resources.

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3) Group Connection

These will be opportunities for parents to come together to share experiences and learn and support one another. It will provide opportunities for them to observe their children with other children and practice parenting skills. In addition, child development information is shared in a group setting.

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4) Screening-

A variety of tools will be utilized to help parents understand their child's development, recognize strengths and to identify areas of continued concern and need for follow-up services.

Target Population

- Children birth to three who have been screened and/or evaluated for early intervention services and determined not eligible due to not meeting the established threshold of delay.
- The program will also serve those children in the identified area that have been evaluated by the local school district and found not eligible for the developmental preschool (3-5 year olds)

Service Area

- Kingman Office- 50 mile radius encompassing the surrounding communities of Chloride, Dolan Springs, Golden Valley, Hackberry, Truxton, Valentine and Yucca.
- Bullhead City Office- 50 mile radius encompassing the surrounding communities of Ft. Mohave, Oatman, Mohave Valley and Topock.

Program progress

- July-upon award began recruitment for program staff.
- July 17-18 interviews conducted
- July 30th- Program Supervisor attended training for Life Skills Progression Assessment Tool (certified to train staff)
- July/August-changes to office to accommodate new programs
- August 6-8- Staff attended Foundational Training for PAT curriculum
- Present...

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