

# Transforming the lives of at-risk children through the healing power of family



Olive Crest believes the family is the ultimate source of hope and lasting change. In a positive family environment children not only heal, but begin to thrive. Through the following programs, Olive Crest is working to strengthen families and keep kids safe; right here in Orange County.

#### **Foster Care**

Olive Crest recruits, trains, and certifies foster family homes from the community to provide warm, secure and therapeutically safe environments for foster children.

#### Foster/Adoption

Our Adoption program is dedicated to providing permanent families and quality services to children who are, or are expected to be, legally free for adoption.

# **Kinship Support Services:** Relatives Raising Children

This program assists family members who are raising a relative's child or children and are in need of additional support.

#### **Family Preservation**

We provide parent education, counseling, and case management services to help strengthen families and keep them together.

#### Residential

Our Residential program allows children and teens to live in a caring environment appropriate for their age, gender, and background.

#### **Safe Families for Children**

Parents experiencing a temporary crisis can arrange for their children (newborn to 18 years old) to stay with Safe Families volunteers while they address the issues that led to instability in their lives.

# **Project Independence**

#### **Transitional Living**

Our Transitional Age Youth program provides housing and support to foster youth ages 16-18 whose only option is living independently.

#### Alumni

Olive Crest offers a variety of opportunities for youth who have left our programs and still need a supportive safety net.

#### Wraparound

This program serves children and families by providing a family-centered, strength-based planning approach to help children remain in a home environment rather than residential care. Wraparound services are provided within the home and facilitate the family's movement from dependence on mandated systems of care to natural supports.

# **Olive Crest Academy**

#### **NOVA Academy**

As a charter school that works in partnership with Olive Crest, Santa Ana Unified School District and local community colleges, students can receive both high school and college credits.

#### **Therapeutic Education Centers**

Olive Crest's Therapeutic Education Centers help students (grades K-12) who are falling behind due to their at-risk social, emotional, and behavioral needs.

As a partner with Olive Crest, you help break the cycle of abuse and enable at-risk youth and families to live as healthy, productive citizens in our community. Please join Olive Crest in the fight against child abuse.

Here is how you can help now:

### **Open Your Home as a Foster or Adoptive Parent**

There is an overwhelming need for qualified families who can provide loving homes for children. There are many levels of involvement available through our Foster and Adoption programs.

#### Give a Gift

Monetary donations to support our local programs are crucial to saving lives. Make a difference with your gift or learn about our monthly and annual giving programs.

We need your help today. Please call Olive Crest at 714-543-5437 or visit www.olivecrest.org/oc.

#### **Become a Direct Service Volunteer**

As a direct service volunteer, you have the opportunity to work directly with Olive Crest's youth. From mentoring to tutoring, your help can make a difference in a child's life.

## **Join our Monthly Volunteer Events**

Each month Olive Crest hosts events that allow kids, parents, and friends of all ages to assist with projects on behalf of our youth. Past events have included Valentine cupcake decorating, filling Easter baskets, and stuffing stockings.

Every 10 seconds in America a child experiences some type of abuse including rape, physical, and psychological abuse.

Each day in America five children die from child abuse.









#### **About Olive Crest**

Since 1973, Olive Crest has transformed the lives of over 50,000 abused, neglected, and at-risk children and their families. We work tirelessly to meet the individual needs of kids in crisis by providing safe homes, counseling, and education for both youth and parents. Our many innovative programs reflect our conviction that strengthening the family is one of the most powerful ways to help heal children. With unwavering compassion, the Olive Crest family maintains a lifelong commitment to the youth and families we serve even after they have graduated from our programs. Established, proven, and respected, Olive Crest serves nearly 1,000 children and families each day throughout California, Nevada,

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