GROWING TOGETHER WITH GRATITUDE

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Exceptional Parents Unlimited (EPU) has been supporting children and families for decades now. Founded in 1976, EPU is a private, non-profit agency with a mission to “guide and strengthen children and families with unique needs through supportive services that cultivate hope and resilience.” In the spirit of 2020, a year like no other, we have been given a new opportunity to pause and reflect on the services we provide, our approach and the effectiveness of our work. We have also been given an opportunity to be innovative and creative in the way we support our children and families. Regardless of any obstacles thrown our way, our mission continues to motivate us to be a force for change.

In the following pages we highlight just a few examples of EPU’s powerful work to advocate, train, support, and connect those who have a heart for and committed interest in children and families with special needs. The work is challenging—but the rewards are great, impacting countless lives. It is work that we know we cannot do alone. It takes a vibrant community of EPU Champions - hard-working moms and dads, proud grandparents, devoted caregivers, committed professionals, courageous advocates, and generous funding partners and donors - connected for the ultimate good of strengthening families.

At EPU, we’re all about connections, relationships, and the love and nurturing of our youngest children, laying a strong foundation for a brighter future. We are tremendously grateful that you are part of our story. Our accomplishments are yours. Together, we continue the journey to ensure all children are thriving and families are strong. Please take special care during this time, and may we continue to extend our reach to those who find themselves in great need.

We are stronger together,

Lowell J. Ens
Chief Executive Officer
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Disclaimer: Some photos were taken prior to COVID-19 and masking policies.
ABOUT EPU

OUR MISSION
EPU guides and strengthens children and families with unique needs through supportive services that cultivate hope and resilience.

OUR VISION
Our vision is that children grow up in families where their unique needs are met, and their families have confidence in their ability to meet those needs.

OUR VALUES

Safety
We believe that the physical and emotional well-being of children, families and staff are assured by creating and maintaining a safe, nurturing and supportive environment and providing a safety net for families.

Respect
We believe that individuality, confidentiality and diversity of children, families and staff are assured through honesty, acceptance of differences and the protection of personal dignity.

Compassion
We believe that children, families and staff can be supported and empowered through maintaining our tradition of empathy and caring.

Quality
We believe that providing programs and services of the highest quality is dependent upon hiring and retaining qualified staff, providing education to staff and families, implementing best practices, and creating collaborative relationships with families.

Growth
We believe that all children, families and staff thrive with individualized opportunities to learn and grow in ways that are responsive to their strengths and needs.
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OUR SERVICES

At Exceptional Parents Unlimited (EPU) we provide an array of services supporting both child and their parent or primary caregiver. Services include: home visitation, parenting education, family support, mental health services, support with Individualized Education Program’s (IEP), and case management. EPU also provides specialized services in early childhood mental health and early intervention including speech therapy, physical and occupational therapies, and other extensive virtual and online resources. Often times, clients participate in several of our programs.
Initially, ZOEY AND SARABETH entered EPU through one of our family-centered programs. The girls were first placed in foster care with a resource family when they were very young. Zoey was just shy of four months old while her elder sister, Sarabeth, was two and a half years of age. During this time, the girls were coming in regularly and EPU team members observed that Zoey had potential developmental delays. Eventually, she was referred to Central Valley Regional Center (CVRC) and approved for the Early Start Program, an early intervention program offered for children ages 0-3.

EPU developed and currently implements one of the first Early Start early intervention programs in Fresno County - EPIC. (Engage. Play. Inspire. Connect.). At any given time, EPIC serves about 250-300 infants and toddlers who are at serious risk for developmental disability or have a confirmed medical and/or developmental disability. Zoey was enrolled in EPIC, when in March 2019, the girls were placed with a different resource family, Deborah and Gunner Avinelis, who lived in Visalia.

Initially, the Avinelis planned to continue with early intervention services near their home. However, from their first visit to EPU, Deborah and Gunner realized that EPU was more than just a service provider. EPU had become a safe place that the girls had grown to love, and those feelings were mutual.

Deborah and Gunner both shared, “We decided to continue with Zoey’s care here, knowing she felt safe and secure. She was already getting great care at EPU, and that was one less change she would have to deal with. It was clear to us that she was doing well and had a connection. She felt very safe here.”

Zoey was receiving physical therapy and other early intervention services to help her meet her developmental milestones. Her older sister, Sarabeth, spent time in the Clubhouse class a safe place for siblings (over three years of age) to play, interact, and explore their own feelings, experiences, and concerns that help them cultivate a “community of support” centered on their interests and dreams. She was often included in Zoey's sessions to improve her engagement.

“We were always committed to giving the girls every opportunity to thrive,” Gunner and Deborah said. They also shared, “EPU was a springboard for Zoey’s development. Additionally, it is the initial stable foundation of her emotions, sense of belonging, and attachment to begin learning and growing after experiencing a few things when she was relatively young.”

After countless hours of services over the course of three years, Zoey graduated from EPU. Describing Zoey, Deborah smiles as she relates, “This little girl, who once walked around falling over everywhere is now climbing on what is probably too high.”

EPU’s Lead Early Childhood Specialist, Vanessa Rivera, shared, “I remember when the girls didn’t want a hug or any physical touch. They were hesitant and fearful. Now, I can hear them running down the hall trying to find me and give me a big hug. Those moments are priceless and forever etched in my heart.”

In September 2020, the Fresno County Superior Court made it official; and the Avinelis family became a proud family of six.

To learn more about the Avinelis family, you can watch their video on our website at www.epuchildren.org.
SUCCESS & HIGHLIGHTS

The Disability Equity Project (DEP)

The Disability Equity Project (DEP) was launched in September 2020, in partnership with the County of Fresno’s Department of Public Health, as a county-wide effort to support individuals with disabilities and their families that have been significantly impacted by the pandemic and have a positive case of COVID-19 in their home.

The program offers a range of assistance that includes financial supports for quarantine, connection to services and resources, and a case manager to help families navigate accessible systems during difficult times. For more information please visit: www.depfresno.org.

Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

Over the last year, we have spent significant time listening and learning in conversations with our team, our partners, and our community. This work included the facilitation of internal and external trainings, as well as making intentional efforts to better identify and understand our own biases, and the opportunities we can champion and support so that all individuals have a sense of belonging, community of support, and quality of life we can be proud of.

Prominent disparities have existed in the opportunities available to babies of color and low-income families in both urban and rural communities, specifically in the areas of early intervention and special education. In an attempt to address these concerns, the State of California’s Department of Developmental Services awarded EPU a new grant aimed at supporting African American, Hispanic Hispanic/Latino and Native American families who are eligible for intervention services in Fresno County.

This program is called Parent-to-Parent Orientation with the goal of removing barriers to accessing Central Valley Regional Center (CVRC) services and other community resources, while increasing utilization of services. A local culturally-informed consultant, Dr. Karen Crozier of Jewel of Justice, helped to guide the process. Parent-to-Parent Orientation has already seen an increase in the number of families accessing and utilizing early intervention services. The work is just begging and has long way to go, but with every effort, we strive to reduce disparity, promote inclusion, and embrace diversity.

DEP is a collaborative effort led by six community-based organizations that currently serve individuals with disabilities and will continue with vaccination supports through December 2021. These organizations include:

- Exceptional Parents Unlimited (EPU)
- Resources for Independence Central Valley
- United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) Central California
- Deaf and Hard of Hearing Service Center (DHHSC)
- Valley Center for the Blind (VCB)
- EasterSeals Central California (ESCC)
EPU was awarded another five-year Parent Training and Information Center (PTI) by the US Department of Education’s Office of Special Education in 2020. Through this project, EPU can continue to serve families with children with a disability from birth through twenty-six years of age across twelve counties, covering approximately forty-eight thousand square miles. PTI aims to offer support to parents or guardians and free information on how to benefit their child’s education. This service is written into the Federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) as a nationwide requirement for parents and caregivers seeking assistance in navigating special systems to support their child.

At EPU, we believe that parents can help each other in ways professionals cannot. Initially, families and parents of a child with a disability or special need feel scared, isolated, and frustrated. To respond to these feelings, EPU is staffed with parents and family members of children with disabilities. PTI services are provided in various languages including English, Spanish, and Hmong. For families residing in remote areas, connecting virtually this past year through ZOOM has improved accessibility to these services.

“We’ve learned so much about how to help our daughter with her development and her education. I had never heard of an IEP and was overwhelmed. We are so grateful to have had access to EPU services without any expense.”
—EPU Parent with a nine-year-old child diagnosed with Down syndrome

“I kept wondering what other moms do. Being able to share my experience and my feelings with other parents helped me feel like I wasn’t alone.”
—EPU Parent with a five-year-old child diagnosed with Muscular dystrophy
The San Bernardino Disparity Project Was a Success!

With EPU’s Navigating Systems with Families, located in San Bernardino, clients gained greater access to information about Inland Regional Center (IRC) services and processes. We offered individualized support to families to improve their education and understanding of the Individualized Program Plan (IPP) and Purchase of Service (POS) options, and further information on ways to access services and other resources based on the needs of the family.

Through the individualized support services, one family received approval for respite services, and we assisted the family with increasing their In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) hours.

In another case, we served a family wherein the client’s mother had passed away and the sibling (brother) became the caregiver. However, he had little knowledge about service systems, had lost his job due to the pandemic, and started selling tamales with his wife to make ends meet. Through our project, we supported the family and provided information on Regional Center services along with SSI and IHSS. After receiving the services, the client was able to obtain the maximum monthly amounts for SSI and IHSS, which significantly improved the family’s standard of living.

![Image of a family]

### Conducted follow-up visits
93

### Families served
162

### Requested Regional Center Services
78%

### Approved for services & increase in POS
48%

Dreaming New Dreams

The majority of our programs, including the Infant Family Program and Play & Grow, have been a part of our DNA for over two decades. Last summer, at the request of our program funder and partner, Central Valley Regional Center (CVRC), EPU engaged in an exploratory process to align best practices within early intervention research with its own community of best practices to re-design two of its signature programs aimed at serving infants and toddlers who are significantly at risk for developmental disability, chronic medical condition, and/or have a confirmed disability.

Through this process EPIC (Engage. Play. Inspire. Connect.) was emerged as a cohesive and comprehensive service model for supporting families out of the comfort of their homes and/or in communities where they reside.

EPIC aims at supporting the development of our youngest children through: inclusion, individualized services, empowerment, training and aspiring hope that each family will find delight in his/her child regardless of child’s disability, struggles and/or diagnosis.

“I feel more confident as a mom because of the knowledge and parenting skills I acquired through EPU. I realize I am actually my daughter’s physical therapist and number one advocate.”

- EPU Mom
Parent-Child Interaction Therapy with Toddlers (PCIT-T)

EPU is now offering PCIT-T for children from twelve to twenty-four months who exhibit behavioral and/or developmental concerns. This is a big win! PCIT-T is an intensive treatment program focusing on the family’s needs, including the developmental needs of toddlers.

Working with toddlers this past year through telehealth presents unique challenges and has required a huge adjustment. Moreover, in this new environment, the delivery of services involves a different way of engaging with clients and a distinct approach to how families are supported. Parents in this expanded program are reporting positive and very discernible changes in their child’s behavior as well as in the quality of the parent-child relationship.

“[Child] still gets upset, but I am so much calmer; and then he calms down so much quicker, and we can go back to having fun together. I am really thankful to have this support, especially during the pandemic. Having a child with ASD is already challenging. I am generally stressed, but COVID intensified everything; and I felt overwhelmed. This program has kept me grounded. I have changed the way I process and react when tempers flare or things aren’t going as planned.” —PCIT-T client and mother of a toddler diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

Growing Our Mission Using Technology & Data

To operate an efficient organization and evaluate the effectiveness of services as they are delivered, we need accurate and timely data. Last year, EPU took a giant leap forward just as this pandemic was starting in California, initiating the implementation process of a new cloud-based, agency-wide database called Apricot 360. Although it is costly and time-consuming, we recognize the role of technology and the importance of real-time, trans-disciplinary care coordination for vulnerable young children and their families, accurate data and a system that supports mobile case management and tracks outcomes. While we are still in the initial stage of implementation, the technology is already working to our advantage. It has not only streamlined most of our processes but also highlights opportunities for improvement. Particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic, it has served as a tremendous asset, allowing staff to work remotely while maintaining connectivity with families we serve and co-workers. We are especially excited about the new database as we look to the future. It will not only transform the way we work with families, but also give us the ability to better demonstrate the impact of your investment on EPU’s children and families. This was all made possible through an anonymous donation that realizes our mission and vision for the young children and families entrusted to EPU and made possible through your invaluable donations.
Assembled & distributed 2500+ developmentally appropriate enrichment packets

March 2020-June 2020

Weekly enrichment packets for young children were designed for children and families at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff carefully selected items that would both encourage growth and development across all developmental domains and be engaging for specific age groups while families were asked to shelter at home. These were simple enough for parents to use at home in creating safe and fun experiences both for children and parents to engage in together during the most uncertain times. In addition, the materials served as a resource during phone or Zoom phone or zoom connections with families to strengthen engagement and sense of safety between parent-child relationship. The materials consisted of arts and crafts, play dough, paint, glue, crayons, monthly family fun calendar, health and safety resources for parents, matching puzzles, coloring books, toddler yoga poses, song lyrics, and song props.

Similar packets were delivered to the families finding refuge at the shelters of Marjaree Mason Center and special packets were delivered to the children and families impacted by the Creek Fire in Fresno County.

“The packets are an intentional way to connect with our families and let them know we are thinking of them and are still here for them. They provide families with hands on materials that encourage playing, talking, reading, and singing - experiences that foster a sense of safety, comfort and connection regardless of external circumstances.”

— Michelle Haaland, Manager of EPIC
OUR SUPPORTERS

Your continued support allows us to extend our work to advance the proven power of nurturing relationships. We extend our deepest appreciation to the volunteers, donors, government agencies and corporate partners who not only invest but also believe in what we do.

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+ Abby Goldberg
+ Alan and Karen Arnold
+ Anonymous
+ Bradley Jones
+ Brian Traverso
+ Brooke Frost
+ Caroline Moranda
+ Chelsea Harkness Rasmussen
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+ Donna Gavello
+ Donna Rosenstein
+ Erin Miranda
+ Floyd and Bette Hathcoat
+ Fred Ford
+ Hiram and Eleonora DeWitt
+ Jack and Nancy Baker
+ Jessica Aldrete and Family
+ Jim and Jill Harkness
+ John Kalashian
+ Kaye B. Cummings
+ Krista Kaups
+ LaRahn and Trisha Cooper
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Adopt-a-Family has been a tradition for many years at EPU during the holiday season. For many families in Fresno, it is an insurmountable struggle to buy toiletries, acquire warm clothing and food, and get access to basic necessities. These struggles magnify during the holiday season when parents want to bring a smile to their children’s faces and make their dreams come true. This year, with the help of our continuing and first-time sponsors, some of the most vulnerable families were able to experience a warm extension of compassion and a special holiday.

“This was a blessing for me and my family this year. I am thankful to my sponsor for lifting us up during such a dark time in my life. You brought smiles and a sense of relief I cannot fully put into words.”

—2019 Adopt-a-Family recipient

“My husband lost his job during COVID-19 and with our bills and out-of-pocket doctor fees, buying Christmas gifts for our three kiddos wasn’t even a possibility. Christmas is a big deal, for our children and even for us. The gifts were amazing, and the gift card for groceries allowed us to breathe. This wasn’t something we expected, but we will never forget. The kindness and generosity of a stranger is the work of an angel in my heart.”

—2019 Adopt-a-Family recipient

Thank you to the following 2019 Adopt-a-Family sponsors for making this program possible:

- Andrea Cervantes
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- Sheri Schmidt and The Wells Fargo Team
HOW WE SERVE

The COVID-19 pandemic has been challenging due to restrictions on in-person work and the need to use telehealth. While clinicians and other providers have faced barriers, they have also learned about unexpected advantages.

LEARNING ABOUT PARENTING (LAP)

LAP provides intensive, long-term home visitation and center-based, trauma-informed services to overburdened families in which the children, ages birth through five, are at risk of abuse, neglect and/or maltreatment.

IN 2020

This program also provided case management as part of Differential Response (DR) to 122 families who were referred by Fresno County Department of Social Services. Case Managers provided in-home one-on-one parent coaching and linkages to community resources.

I am ashamed that CPS had to get involved, but this is part of my journey. A part of me was relieved, because I didn’t know how to take care of myself, much less my children who needed things I couldn’t give. Every day, I make a decision to right my wrongs.” When asked to sum up her experience with EPU, Sara said, “My saving grace.”

—EPU Client and mother of three

THE ASSESSMENT CENTER FOR CHILDREN (ACC)

ACC serves young children 0-6 years old and their families, experiencing difficulties in development, social interaction, attachment, or behavior. Since 2007, EPU has been one of the few agencies in our area to offer early childhood mental health services (also known as “infant-family mental health”).
IFP, NOW KNOWN AS EPIC

EPIC provides Early Start intervention services to children from birth through three years of age, and their families, directly in their homes to ensure each child reaches his/her full potential and possibly, lessen the need for special education services later in the child’s life. IFP is re-imagined as EPIC now (Engage. Play. Inspire. Connect.), services may include: physical, occupational and speech therapy consultations, individualized interventions, small group community connections, service coordination, counseling, parent skills training and social support.

553
CHILDREN & FAMILIES SERVED

15,010
SERVICES PROVIDED

36
CHILDREN SERVED WHO ARE IN FOSTER CARE

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER (FRC)

FRC provides support to parents or caregivers of children with disabilities or challenges, from the time the child is born through age twenty-six. Their focus is to help these families access services and resources as they begin, or continue, their journey with their child. FRC serves 12 counties across California.

1,815
CHILDREN & FAMILIES SERVED

6,334
SERVICES PROVIDED

IN 2020
We provided 33 in person workshops prior to COVID-19 restrictions, and 67 workshops and webinars over virtual platforms since the pandemic started.

NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE CENTERS (NRC)

The NRCs serve families in the 93702 and 93727 zip code areas within the metro Fresno area. They offer a continuum of services that build on the Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework. They also provide support to families with children of all ages through case management as they navigate social services and seek assistance to gain independence. The NRC’s are located at the Valley Dream Center and The Fresno Center.

Todos los servicios que me brindaron a mí y a mi familia fueron muy útiles y necesarios, gracias.”
(Translation: All the services provided to me and my family was very helpful and needed, thank you.)
—EPU Parent with 2 young children

WE HELPED 5,456 FAMILIES THROUGH THIS PROGRAM

Services included: Food Distributions; Parenting classes; Nutrition classes; Therapeutic groups supported by clinicians i.e. Beyond Trauma and Voices-for teen girls; GED; afterschool programs; gifts and meals during the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays.
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

**FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2019 TO JUNE 30, 2020**

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**IMPACT**

- **3,628 Children & Families Served***
  - ACC: 377
  - IFP: 553
  - LAP: 895
  - FRC: 1,815

- **34,119 Services Provided***
  - ACC: 4,928
  - IFP: 15,010
  - LAP: 8,772
  - FRC: 6,334

- **80 Children in Foster Care***
  - IFP: 36
  - LAP: 95

This year, in the wake of COVID-19, CalViva Health was a source of support and inspiration during a critical and potentially volatile time. As a response to critical needs, the organization donated $165,000 in emergency and program funding to EPU. CalViva’s generosity and partnership helped ensure all children have a strong start in life by connecting babies and their families with the support and services they need to promote healthy child development. In addition, CalViva dollars gave EPU the flexibility and grace to modify services while still being effective in helping to provide stability for children and their families.

Thank you CalViva Health for your continued support through unprecedented time. Thank you for helping us meet the moment and respond to the need. We are grateful that you are part of our community of EPU champions. Our accomplishments are yours. Together, we continue the journey to ensure all children are thriving.

"When we dream alone, it is only a dream; but when we dream together, it is the beginning of a reality.”
—Friedensreich Hundertwasser

When school closures, loss of income, and social isolation CalViva will always respond to the need and do whatever we can to wrap our arms around those families who are in great need of support.”
—Gregory Hund, Chief Executive Officer, CalViva Health
We need your support now more than ever to ensure all children and families have access to the quality care, services and support they need to thrive. Together, we can strengthen families and ensure a brighter future for all.

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