



Helping Communities & Families Thrive

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# RISE Continuum of Care

## What do we do?

We provide wraparound care from birth through young adulthood under three basic programming pillars:

### **Early Childhood Home Visiting**

- Parent Child+
- Welcome Baby and Beyond
- Early Childhood Initiative (ECI)

### **Mental Health**

- Comprehensive Community Services
- Children's Long-Term Support
- Therapeutic Services
- Court Order Evaluations
- Peer and Parent Peer Support

### **Crisis Services**

- Respite Center
- Hospital Diversion and Stabilization

# Supporting Youth Mental Health

## Wrap Around Care Coordination

- Community-based
- Whole family approach
- Crisis Prevention
- Stabilization

## Therapeutic Services

- Brief Intervention
- Crisis stabilization
- Hospital diversion







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Recipient of the **2020 & 2023 Innovative & Exemplary Respite Service Award** from ARCH National Respite Network & Resource Center, making it one of only seven selected from throughout the U.S. as **a national model for respite centers**.

**Dual license:** Group Child Care & Group Home

**Hours of Operation:**

- 6 days and 7 nights/week

**Capacity:**

- Voluntary
- Licensed to serve 12 children during daytime hours and 8 children overnight.
- Typically serve up to 6-8 children at a time, including overnights. Serve youth through age 14.



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## **Referrals:**

- Parents and caregivers
- Community agencies
- Homeless and Domestic Violence shelters
- Schools
- Hospitals and clinics
- Emergency Services
- Child Protective Services
- Law Enforcement

## **2023 Service Volume:**

- 1881 visits
- 15,402 hours of childcare provided
- 461 unduplicated children served from 227 unduplicated families
- Majority of families are single parent household, low income
- Nearly 25% have an identified mental health diagnosis or an IEP

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## **Identified Need/Purpose:**

- Safe nurturing environment
- Planned break to prevent crisis
- De-escalate an emerging crisis
- Support for child and caregiver
- Maintain home and community placement



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