



Dear Friend of Koinonia,

We would like to thank you for your interest in porting to Koinonia Family Services. We are always excited at the prospect of new families who will partner with us to care for vulnerable children.

Since 1982, Koinonia Family Services has provided care to thousands of children and youth in transition. We distinguish ourselves from other agencies by our commitment to bring hope and healing to children, youth, and families through meaningful relationships and quality programs and services.

Information further describing our services is included with this introductory packet. Our ongoing relationship with our parents and children makes Koinonia a wise choice when looking for a foster care or adoption agency. The purpose of this packet is simply to provide general information. As you proceed through the process, Koinonia will provide the forms and/or guide you in obtaining the correct documents.

If after reviewing this material you would like to continue with the porting process, please call me. My contact information is identified by the checked box below.

"Now is the time. Needs are great, but your possibilities are greater." ~ Bill Blackman

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HISTORY



Founded February 3, 1982, Miriam Golden converted a small room in her home into the first office of Koinonia Family Services in an effort to help vulnerable children. For 25 years, Miriam faithfully served as the Executive Director and led Koinonia with faith, initiative, motivation, and optimism. In September 2025, Jared Raddigan was named Executive Director, bringing with him 27 years of experience and deep roots within the organization. Best known for his leadership in IT, Jared has long played a key role in shaping Koinonia's systems, strategy, and growth across departments.

Koinonia's headquarters is located in Loomis, California. Koinonia currently has 17 offices and 3 residential facilities throughout California and Nevada, serving approximately 1800 children and youth from more than 54 counties. Koinonia has around 375 approved/licensed foster families and over 320 staff.

Throughout Koinonia's rich history, a variety of programs have been created:

California Foster Care - Koinonia's foster care program provides emergency, short-term, and long-term treatment-based foster care to children, siblings, transitioning youth, nonminor dependents, and dependents with infants. In addition, we provide specialized training to families for intensive services foster care (serving difficult-to-place children, including special health care needs, commercially sexually exploited children, etc.) and therapeutic foster care (TFC). Through our specially trained resource homes, Koinonia provides for the individualized trauma-informed care, supervision, and treatment of children and youth who have specialized needs that require ongoing therapeutic services. Comprehensive treatment and case planning services are provided to all children and youth through an individualized needs and services plan tailored to their needs and those of their families. Our families are concurrently approved to provide permanency through the process of adoption for youth who are unable to reunify, and our staff are trained to prepare and support the youth and families through adoption finalization.

Nevada Specialized (Treatment) Foster Care - Koinonia's passion, since accepting the state's invitation in 1994 to provide services in Nevada, has been to serve children in treatment-level foster care, now called Specialized Foster Care. Every child or youth must qualify for this level of care, as defined through both contracts and statutes, including the presence of a qualifying mental health diagnosis and a clear need for a highly trained specialized foster family, supported by Koinonia. We affirm a focus on all aspects of a child's development, including physical, social, emotional, cognitive, cultural, and spiritual within a strength-based approach to treatment. An overarching philosophy of service and a clear treatment model provide a compass to guide our dedicated Specialized Foster Parents and staff.

Koinonia Connections - Koinonia Connections is a short-term emergency placement resource home serving youth with higher needs in a specialized resource home setting that avoids congregate care placement.

Adoption - Koinonia's Adoption Administration Department is responsible for supporting the agency-wide provision of adoption services, including foster care adoptions, private adoptions, and post-adoption wraparound.

- **Foster Care Adoption** - Koinonia has held a "non-custodial" adoption license since January 2005, allowing the agency to assist our resource families with their adoption processes and also to contract with counties to support the adoption work they are doing. Koinonia works collaboratively with county and state social services and adoption departments to facilitate the adoptive placement and adoption finalization for children in approved resource family homes.
- **Private Adoption** - In June 2022, Koinonia was issued a statewide "full-service" adoption license, allowing the agency to assume legal custody of children whose birth parents are making adoption plans for them. Koinonia provides the following domestic private adoption services: adoption home studies, adoption home study updates, birth parent support services, ICPC (Interstate Compact on the Placement of

Children) services, post-placement supervisory visits/reports, post-adoption support services and referrals, stepparent investigations, and court document preparation/filing.

- **Post-Adoption Wraparound** - Beginning in February 2023, Koinonia began providing post-adoption wraparound services to children and their families. Funded by the Adoption Assistance Program (AAP), post-adoption wraparound services support families and children who are in crisis, in need of stability, or are at risk of out-of-home care. Services are trauma-informed and delivered through team-based decision-making designed to maintain children in their homes. Services are also intended to be flexible to meet the changing needs of youth and their families.

Homes for Teens - Koinonia's Homes for Teens operates several adolescent programs with varying degrees of service. Depending on the needs of the youth and referral sources, Homes for Teens offers a full-scope array of treatment.

- **Crisis Resolution Center (CRC) Loomis** - The CRC in Loomis offers crisis stabilization and ancillary services to youth in Placer County and their families. Funded by Placer County's JJCPA grant, the CRC is an early intervention and prevention effort to support youth in Placer County.
- **Crisis Resolution Center (CRC) Antelope** - The CRC in Antelope offers short-term crisis residential services to youth following a psychiatric hospitalization or life-altering event. Our staff work in collaboration with the family and community of origin resources to help ensure a smooth transition home and reduce the likelihood of crisis recurrence. The CRC is currently under contract with Kaiser Permanente.
- **Behavioral Health Program (BHP)** - Homes for Teens' residential BHP provides a safe environment in a home-like setting for adolescents needing support and guidance navigating a myriad of mental health and behavioral challenges. Trauma-informed staff work collaboratively with parents/guardians to ensure a holistic treatment approach. The BHP is currently under contract with Kaiser Permanente.

Outpatient Behavioral Health Services (Placer, San Bernardino & Riverside counties) - Koinonia's specialty mental health services support placements in our resource homes, residential facilities and the community. Koinonia provides convenient on-site and home-based therapeutic and supportive services. In addition, Koinonia provides pre- and post-adoption and guardianship behavioral health services as referred by Placer County to children and families with a specialty focus on issues related to trauma and permanency for youth who have been removed from birth families. Our Placer County program also offers Victims of Crime and private pay options. Koinonia's overall behavioral health services may include screening and assessment, individual therapy, family/collateral therapy, group therapy, crisis intervention, targeted case management, linkage and consultation, intensive care coordination, and therapeutic foster care.

Prevention Program - Koinonia's Prevention Program is dedicated to supporting individuals, families, and children through early intervention and holistic care. By addressing underlying issues before they escalate, the program focuses on fostering stability, resilience, and overall well-being. Through collaborative partnerships and tailored services, Koinonia empowers individuals to overcome challenges, prevent crises, and thrive within their communities.

- **Enhanced Care Management (ECM)** - ECM is a core component of California's CalAIM initiative, providing coordinated, whole-person care for individuals with complex medical and social needs. Focused on high-need populations, such as those with chronic conditions, mental health issues, or homelessness, ECM integrates medical, behavioral, and social services. Care coordinators work with members and interdisciplinary teams to create tailored care plans, bridging gaps in fragmented healthcare systems. This person-centered approach improves health outcomes, enhances the care experience, and reduces overall costs by emphasizing prevention and timely interventions. ECM represents a shift toward value-based care, prioritizing wellness over reactive treatment.
- **Community Supports** - Community Supports are innovative, optional services designed to address social determinants of health and enhance whole-person care for Medi-Cal beneficiaries. Koinonia's Housing Navigators assist individuals in securing and maintaining stable housing as a foundation for overall health and well-being. These professionals guide individuals through the complexities of housing applications,

connect them with resources such as rental assistance or temporary shelters, and provide ongoing support to ensure long-term stability. By addressing housing insecurity, our Housing Navigators play a crucial role in reducing health disparities and promoting self-sufficiency within vulnerable populations.

- **Community Health Worker (CHW) Program** - Koinonia's Community Health Workers (CHWs) are trusted, community-based personnel who serve as the vital link between individuals and critical healthcare and social services. Their shared lived experiences and cultural alignment foster immediate trust and deep engagement. The program provides essential navigational support, health coaching, and advocacy. CHWs help clients overcome barriers to care, access public benefits, schedule appointments, and receive culturally resonant education. By empowering individuals to take active ownership of their wellness, CHWs improve adherence to care plans and reduce communication gaps. They seamlessly integrate with our Prevention, ECM, and Community Supports efforts, ensuring a truly whole-person approach that drives better, more equitable health outcomes.
- **Healthy Families America** - Healthy Families America (HFA) is a nationally recognized evidence-based program dedicated to promoting healthy child development and strengthening families. Through home visitation services, Koinonia's Infant Specialists provide personalized support, parenting education, and connections to community resources for expectant parents and families with young children. Koinonia utilizes Parents as Teachers as our curriculum. Focused on building strong parent-child relationships and preventing adverse childhood experiences, HFA empowers families to create nurturing, safe, and supportive environments where children can thrive.

Nevada Day Treatment - The Day Treatment Program is divided into two distinct groups: Pre-Adolescent, ages 6 to 13; and Adolescent, ages 13 to 18. Services are provided, after school, to at-risk youth and foster children in the community with behavioral and emotional difficulties.

Nevada Outpatient Behavioral Health Services - Outpatient psychotherapeutic services are provided by highly trained, licensed, mental health professionals. Our therapists provide individual as well as family therapy. Koinonia also offers group therapy. We have therapists who are specifically trained in Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR), working with trauma and children who have been sexualized.

Today, Koinonia has grown to become a leader in providing services to families and agencies within our community. Thousands of children have found hope, a foundation to succeed, a safe and secure environment, or a forever family. Koinonia is also well known for its commitment to quality and programs that have family-centered values.



Jared Raddigan
Executive Director



Miriam Golden
Founder

CARE RATES BUDGET - LEVEL OF CARE

LEVEL OF CARE RATES					
Level	Basic Level Rate	LOC 2	LOC 3	LOC 4	ISFC
Rate	\$1301	\$1447	\$1596	\$1741	\$3396
The level of care is based on the needs of the child/youth. This reimbursement is to be used to care for the child/youth. You may spend all or more of the reimbursement for the children/youth placed with you.					

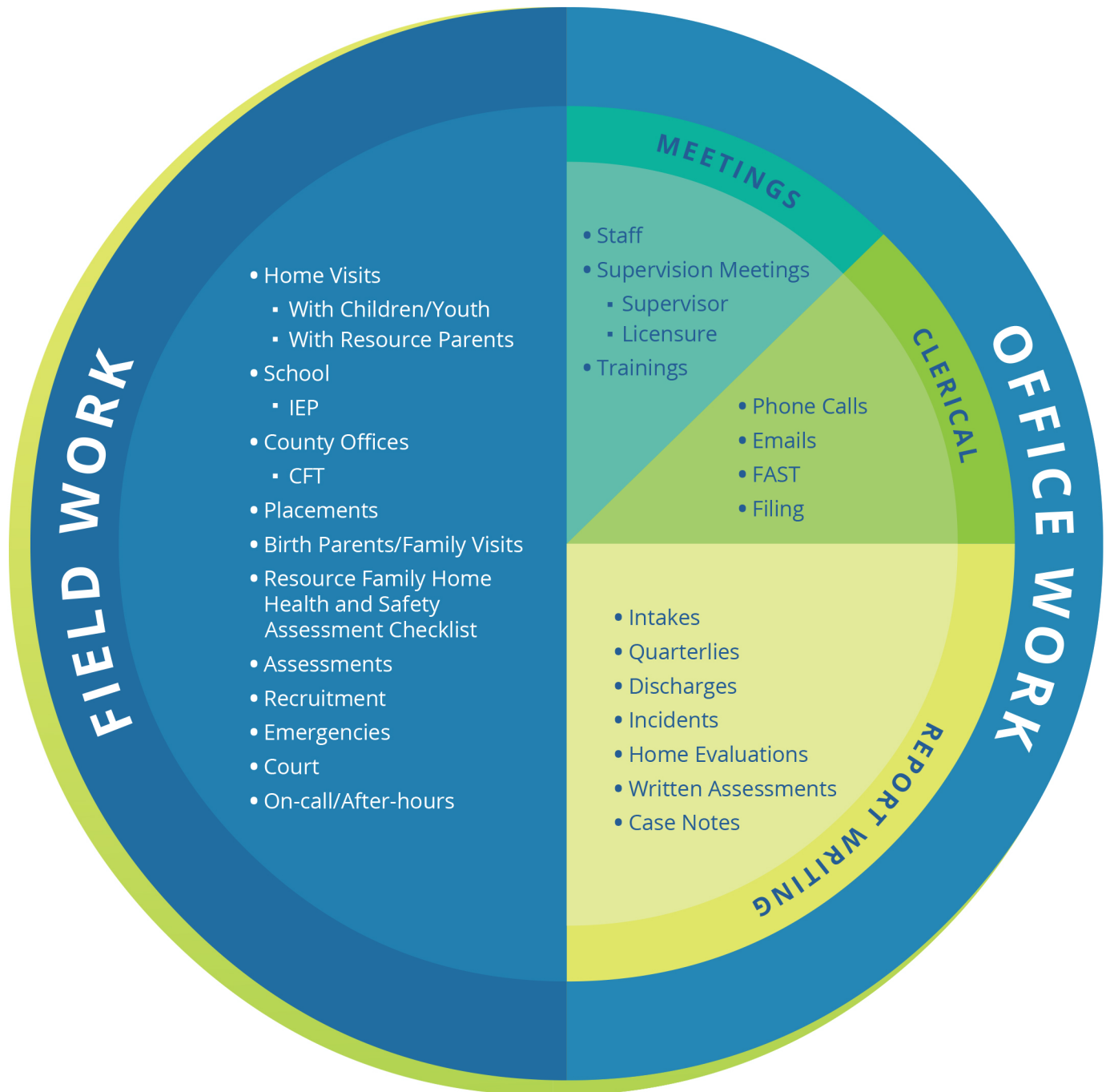
PERSONAL ALLOWANCE AND CLOTHING (monthly rates unless otherwise noted)							
Ages:	0 - 4	5 - 8	9 - 11	12 - 14	15 - 21		
Personal Allowance	\$0	\$20	\$25	\$40	\$50		
Clothing Allowance ^o	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50		
Clothing Allowance ^o Los Angeles County Only	\$95.01 (all ages)						
Personal Allowance (weekly) for Los Angeles & Orange Counties							
Ages:	0 - 4	5 - 7	8 - 10	11 - 13	14 - 15	16 - 17	18 - 20
Los Angeles County	\$0	\$9.54	\$13.52	\$17.57	\$20.33	\$24.36	\$33.89
Orange County	\$0	\$8.27	\$11.73	\$15.25	\$17.64	\$21.12	\$29.40
^o This is a minimum required amount to be spent for a placed child/youth per month. Clothing receipts are to be itemized and submitted to your Koinonia social worker on a quarterly basis. Some counties provide an emergency initial/annual/semi-annual clothing allotment. Please inquire with your Koinonia social worker concerning your placed child’s/youth’s eligibility.							

EXPECTATIONS OF EXPENDITURES	
Monthly expenditures to include and budget for: • Transportation, ⁺food, personal incidentals, education, recreation, hobbies, sports, camps, etc. • It is suggested that resource families set aside a monthly amount for unexpected costs or seasonal activities such as summer and winter camps, trips, sports, uniforms and other extracurricular activities. ⁺Free meals are provided through the public school system to all placed children/youth. Please check with your school district for their scheduled meals. Most counties have a WIC (Women-Infants-Children) Program that will supply formula and food for infants and children (0 - 5 years).	

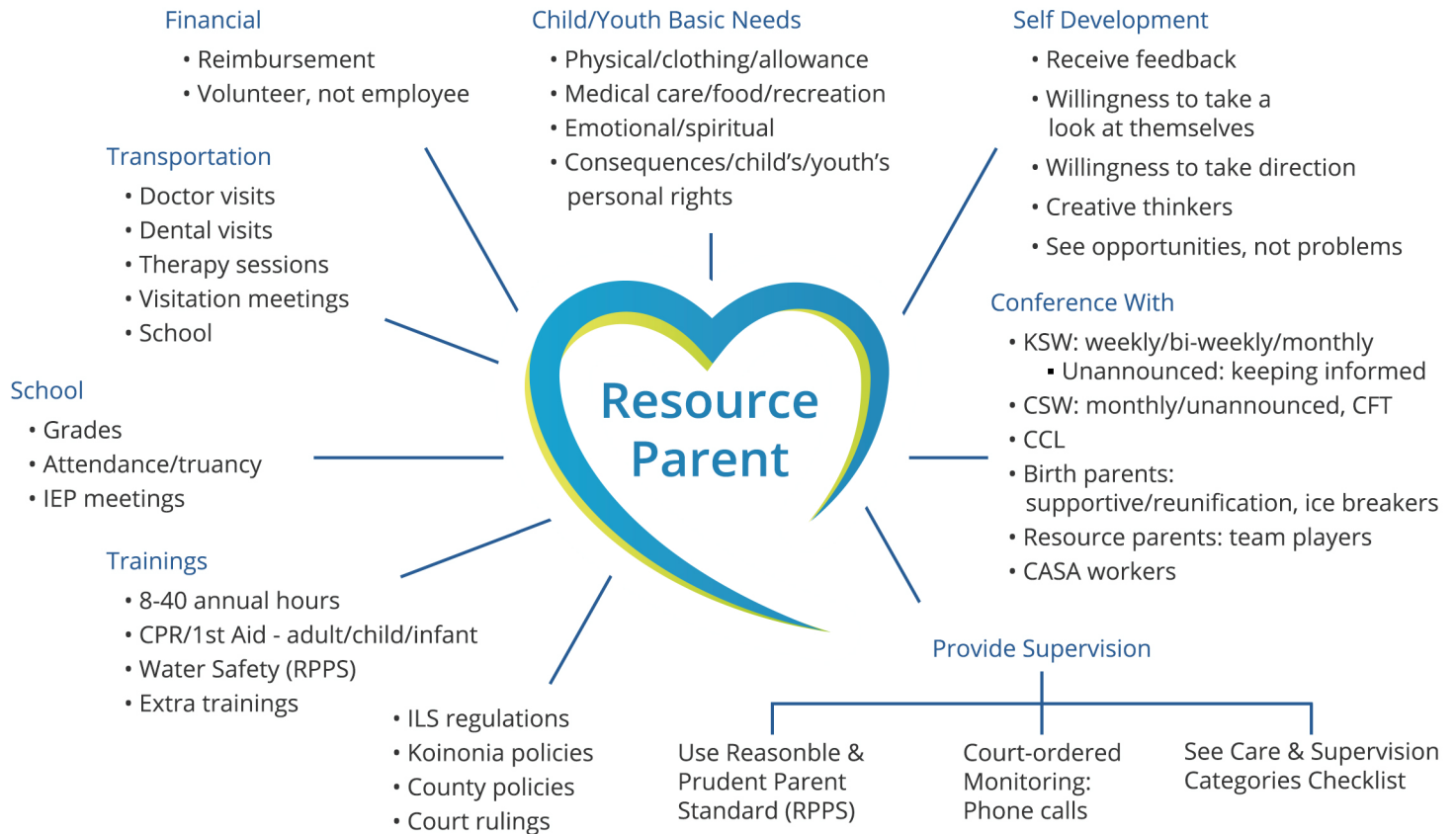
Medical Coverage: Medi-Cal will cover the cost of regular medical, dental and vision expenses. Tax Information: The rates shown are considered a reimbursement and, therefore, are not W-2 or 1099 taxable income.

MINOR PARENT OR NMD WITH INFANT (monthly rates unless otherwise noted)		
Rate (based on Basic Level Rate)	\$2201	The infant supplement is given to the infant's parent to cover all infant needs, excluding food. This money is to be monitored by the Koinonia social worker with the resource family. See note above regarding the WIC Program.
Personal Allowance (monthly)	\$50	
• LA County (per week)	\$9.54 to \$33.89	
• Orange County (per week)	\$8.27 to \$29.40	
Clothing Allowance	\$50	
• LA County Placement	\$95.01	
Infant Supplement	\$378	

Role Expectations of Social Workers



Role Expectations of Resource Parents



Evaluation Matrix

PAPER	PEOPLE	CHARACTER	COMPETENCE
Child/Youth • Personal property/cash resources/valuables • Clothing receipts • Health care visit logs • Immunization records • Medical consent/history • Medication logs • Height/weight logs • LIC 601/ID & emergency information • Placement documentation • Incident logs • Progress logs • Personal rights • Special dietary needs Resource Parent • Certificate of approval • Home information log • Care & supervision provider forms • Emergency Binder	• Nurture • Mentor • Role model • Resolve conflict • Relate • Expect • Show more interest in people than in things, e.g., property damage	• Integrity • Charity • Kindness • Justice • Service • Patience • Fidelity • Humility • Temperance • Courage • Forgiveness • Authenticity • Respect • Teamwork • Compassion • Transparency • Inclusiveness	• Listening skills • Adaptability • Communication skills ▪ Telephone ▪ Oral • Ability to safely transport children/youth in a vehicle • Social skills