

TCCI is dedicated to alleviating poverty and transforming lives in South Los Angeles by empowering children, youth, and their families to overcome systemic challenges and build pathways to sustainable success through high-quality, comprehensive, educational and family support services.



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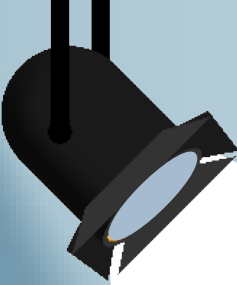
The Children's Collective, Inc. has 10 locations in the South Los Angeles area, offering various programs and services. To learn more, check out our website:

CHILDRENSCOLLECTIVE.ORG

TCCI continuously enrolls for infant, toddler, and preschool programs. Call 424-286-4409.



The Children's Collective, Inc. was founded in 1972 by Dr. Jackie Kimbrough, who served as the Executive Director for 52 years.



CEO CORNER

The Power of Fatherhood

At The Children's Collective Inc., we believe that strong families build strong communities – and fathers play a vital role in the healthy development of children, families, and neighborhoods.

As we celebrate fathers and father figures this season, we also recognize an important truth: father engagement matters.

Research consistently shows that children with positively engaged fathers are more likely to:

- Perform better academically

- Develop stronger emotional confidence

- Avoid high-risk behaviors

- Experience greater economic stability later in life

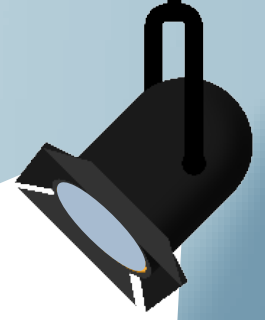
- Build healthier relationships and social skills

Engaged fathers contribute to the social, emotional, and cognitive development of children in powerful ways. Even simple moments – reading together, attending school events, having conversations, offering encouragement, or simply being present – can create lifelong impact.

Unfortunately, many fathers in underserved communities face significant barriers to engagement, including economic hardship, systemic inequities, trauma, employment instability, co-parenting challenges, and lack of support systems. Far too often, fathers are overlooked in conversations about family wellness and child development.

At TCCI, we believe fathers should not only be welcomed into the conversation – they should be intentionally empowered.

That is why we are excited to announce a forthcoming partnership between The Children's Collective Inc. and St. John's Community Health focused on increasing support and services for fathers throughout South Los Angeles.



Together,
we envision creating
spaces where fathers can:

- Access health and wellness resources
- Receive parenting support and education
- Strengthen relationships with their children
- Connect to workforce and economic opportunities
- Build community with other fathers
- Heal, grow, and lead within their families

This partnership reflects our continued commitment to holistic family support and poverty alleviation by recognizing that when fathers thrive, children thrive – and communities become stronger.

At TCCI, we are committed to supporting the entire family system. We know that fathers are not simply providers; they are nurturers, protectors, mentors, teachers, and role models whose presence can shape generations.

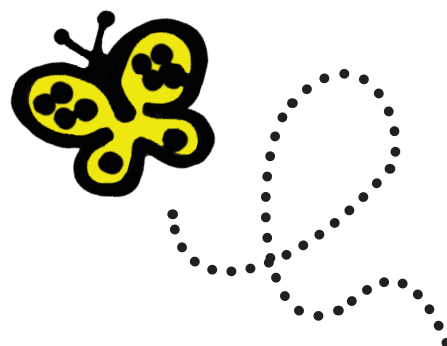
As we continue our mission of transforming lives across South Los Angeles, we look forward to expanding opportunities that uplift fathers and strengthen families for years to come.

To all the fathers, grandfathers, uncles, mentors, coaches, and father figures who continue to show up for our children and communities: thank you. Your presence matters more than you know.

Together, we will continue building stronger families, stronger children, and a stronger future.

Dr. Charles Lee-Johnson

Chief Executive Officer
The Children's Collective, Inc.



CLIENT SPOTLIGHT: SUSANA

How are you involved with TCCI?

My daughter is enrolled in preschool at TCCI's Florence Child Care Center. We found the center as a referral from family and it has been the best decision for our daughter's growth.

How long have you been a TCCI client?

We have been with the Center for nine months and love all that it offers us.

In what ways has TCCI changed your life?

Florence Child Care Center has helped my daughter gain social skills. My daughter has learned to speak English, as our household is primarily Spanish speaking. The Center also assists us with community resources and information that can help our home environment.

Is there anything else you'd like to share?

The overall friendly environment of Florence Child Care Center helps when dropping off my daughter every day, knowing that she is in great hands.



CHILD DEVELOPMENT DEBUTS NEW KITCHEN

We are excited to share that renovations on our new commercial kitchen at Willowbrook Child Care Center are complete!

After years of planning, design, and months of construction, our upgraded kitchen is now fully equipped with modern appliances, expanded preparation space, improved safety features, and enhanced food service capabilities.

This important upgrade will allow us to better serve nutritious, freshly prepared meals and snacks to the children in our program, while improving food safety, efficiency, and overall kitchen operations.

The renovated kitchen includes:

- State-of-the-art commercial cooking equipment
- Improved food safety and sanitation systems
- Expanded storage and preparation areas
- Energy-efficient appliances and lighting



This new kitchen opens the door to exciting possibilities for future program expansion. We are enthusiastic about the opportunities this space creates to better serve our families and community through enhanced services, expanded enrollment capacity, enrichment programming, family engagement events, and new educational experiences centered around health, nutrition, and wellness.

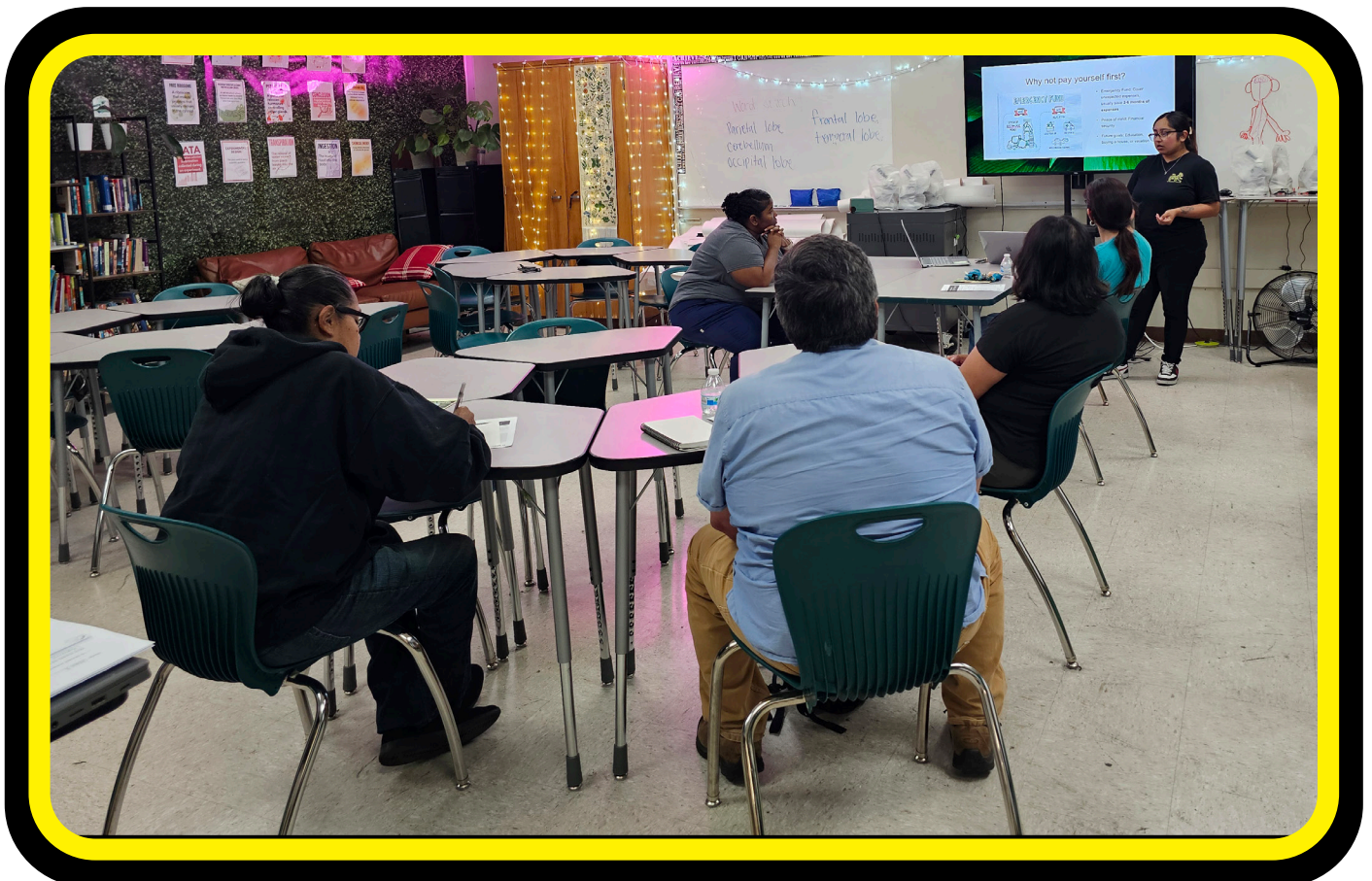
This investment represents our vision for continued growth and our dedication to meeting the evolving needs of the children and families we serve.



FSC PREPARES FOR JUNETEENTH EVENT

In May The Children's Collective FamilySource Center held their second client choice model produce distribution in collaboration with TCCI's FAIR program, bringing fresh and free fruits and vegetables into our community. We look forward to building off the increased popularity surrounding our new monthly distributions by combining it with our Juneteenth event on June 13th. This event will feature a community resource fair, arts and crafts for the children, produce distribution, by appointment health screenings provided by St. Johns mobile health clinic and more.

In other news our Financial Coach hosted a financial literacy workshop with the parents of South LA College Prep. Workshops like this one will start up again next school year. This new partnership will be key as we look to the future. The idea is to eventually have our College Corner team establish a strong presence on campus next school year. They will be hosting workshops like our Spring one on a biweekly basis with the juniors and seniors at the school. We are excited and looking to establish new partnerships in our community like the one we have cultivated with South LA Prep.



FAIR COLLABORATES TO DISTRIBUTE PRODUCE

As we continue to operate as the new FAIR program. We have had the opportunity to conduct distributions at Rita Walters, Vermont, Family Source Center, King/San Pedro, and Willowbrook. For the month of May, we have distributed 2.300 pounds of produce to more than 250 families.

For May, we shared resources from the following organizations:

- LA Regional Food Bank
- St. Francis
- Transitional Alliance for Children's Rights
- Woman's Infants, Children's (WIC)
- St. John's Fatherhood Program



Coming Up Next

The FAIR program will be providing an open farmer's market style distribution at the Family Source Center for their Juneteenth event. We're inviting all of the parents and community residents from all TCCI child care centers to participate. With this format, we give the community the ability to choose which produce items they prefer.

Location:

- 915 W. Manchester St, 90044
- Saturday, 6/13
- 10:00 AM

We hope to see you there!



BIH SELECTED FOR "ONE SMALL THING"

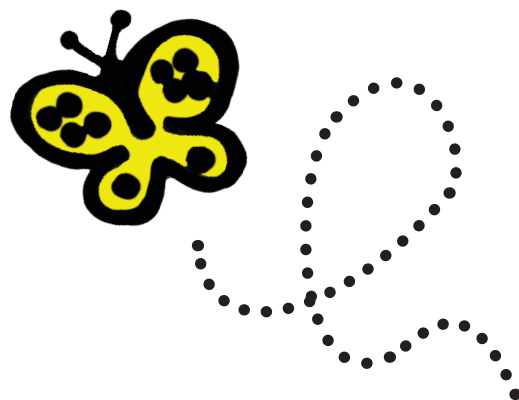
TCCI's BIH group series continues to run successfully, with attendance remaining consistent. With sessions taking place Tuesday through Friday, mothers have increased opportunities to participate in group activities and discussions. The new BIH house has provided a welcoming and comfortable environment for hosting weekly groups, and participants often express that they feel "at home" when they visit. In addition to providing education on prenatal and postpartum health, the BIH house serves as a space for relaxation, connection, and unity for both participants and staff.

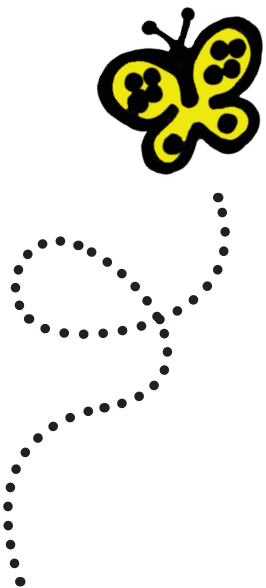
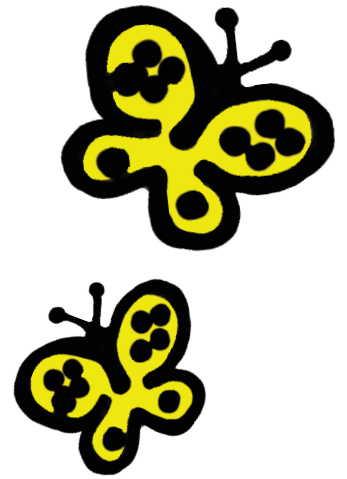
The Office of the California Surgeon General (OCASG) selected TCCI BIH as the program recipient for its "One Small Thing" initiative, which provides meaningful acts of kindness to women throughout the state of California. In partnership with celebrity Chrissy Teigen and the Girl Scouts, the event took place on Monday, May 4, in celebration of Mother's Day and honored postpartum mothers enrolled in the BIH program. Mothers who attended had the opportunity to socialize, connect with representatives from the hosting organizations and programs, and spend quality time with their babies in a welcoming and supportive environment centered on celebrating mothers and their children.

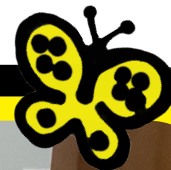
On Friday, May 15, the BIH program hosted a post-Mother's Day celebration honoring BIH mothers and babies. This event was created in partnership with Children's Institute. BIH mothers enjoyed a day focused on mental health, wellness, self-care, and socialization. The event was filled with love, food, music, resources, and fun for all who attended.



FEATURED PHOTOS: SPRING ACTIVITIES AT KING-SAN PEDRO CHILD CARE CENTER







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