

AFS TIMELINE

2003

- Therapeutic foster care for adults with developmental disabilities (continuation of home based care for children who attained adulthood while in care)*

2004

- Pathways to Permanence, first EPSDT outpatient mental health in Alameda County ◊

2005

- Foster care: Solano County

2007

- Contra Costa County Mental Health Services
- Solano Independent Living Program*
- SF County Mental Health Services

2008

- Marin Transitional Housing Plus Program
- SF Therapeutic Visitation Program ◊

1990

- All AFS programs open to 0-18yo

1991

- Intensive Family Reunification Program: A limited federal grant for “teaching foster homes.” Foster parents helped bio-parents reunify with their children.*

1992

- Family Alternatives for Children with Developmental Disabilities (FACDD)

1981

- The Marin Extended Family, an innovative way to deliver foster care services ◊

1984

- Special Populations Program in SF, foster care for:
 - unaccompanied refugee minors
 - older, urban teenagers in need of independent living skills ◊

LEGEND

- ◆ innovative program
- ◊ program still in operation but renamed
- * program discontinued

2006

- SF Foster Child Tutorial Project*

2000s

1980s

1970s

2010

- Foster care: Sacramento & San Joaquin Counties

2011

- The Gathering Place Therapeutic Visitation Center-Oakland

2010-20s

2016

- SF County contract to recruits resource homes

2018

- SF Parenting for Permanency College
- Intensive Treatment Foster Care renamed by State of CA to Intensive Services Foster Care

2022

- Jay Berlin retires, Marsha Lewis-Akyeem named new CEO

1990s

1993

- Casas con Corazón (Homes with Heart) Spanish-speaking foster care program ◊
- Intensive Treatment Foster Care: program for youth with emotional and/or behavioral issues ◊

1995

- AFS opens Oakland office providing foster care to children and youth in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties

1999

- Adoption Services

1985

- Special Populations Younger, client age lowered to 10yo ◊
- Marin Extended Family program pilots working with children as young as 5yo ◊

1986

- Client age officially lowered to five (under five if part of a sibling group) ◊

1988

- Special Populations programs combined in SF under the Extended Family model ◊
- Marin Extended Family became Marin/Sonoma Extended Family ◊
- Marin Independent Living Program for transition aged youth

1973

- Jay Berlin begins Alternative Living Project under Youth Advocates Inc., foster care for SF & Marin County teens

1978

- Alternative Living Project reincorporated as, Alternative Family Services, Inc., providing foster care in SF, Marin & San Mateo Counties

2012

- First funded Training Program
- The Gathering Place Therapeutic Visitation Center, Pleasanton

2013

- Sonoma County Mental Health Services

2014

- Training programs SF, Alameda & Solano Counties

2015

- National accreditation Council on Accreditation
- Stockton resource family meeting space

2017

- SF Emergency Shelter Program