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March 2014 flyer describing progress of the
Accreditation Facilitation Project.

Quality Improvement - Accreditation Facilitation Project (AFP)



What is AFP?

Santa Barbara's AFP encourages early care and education programs to participate in the process of National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Accreditation.

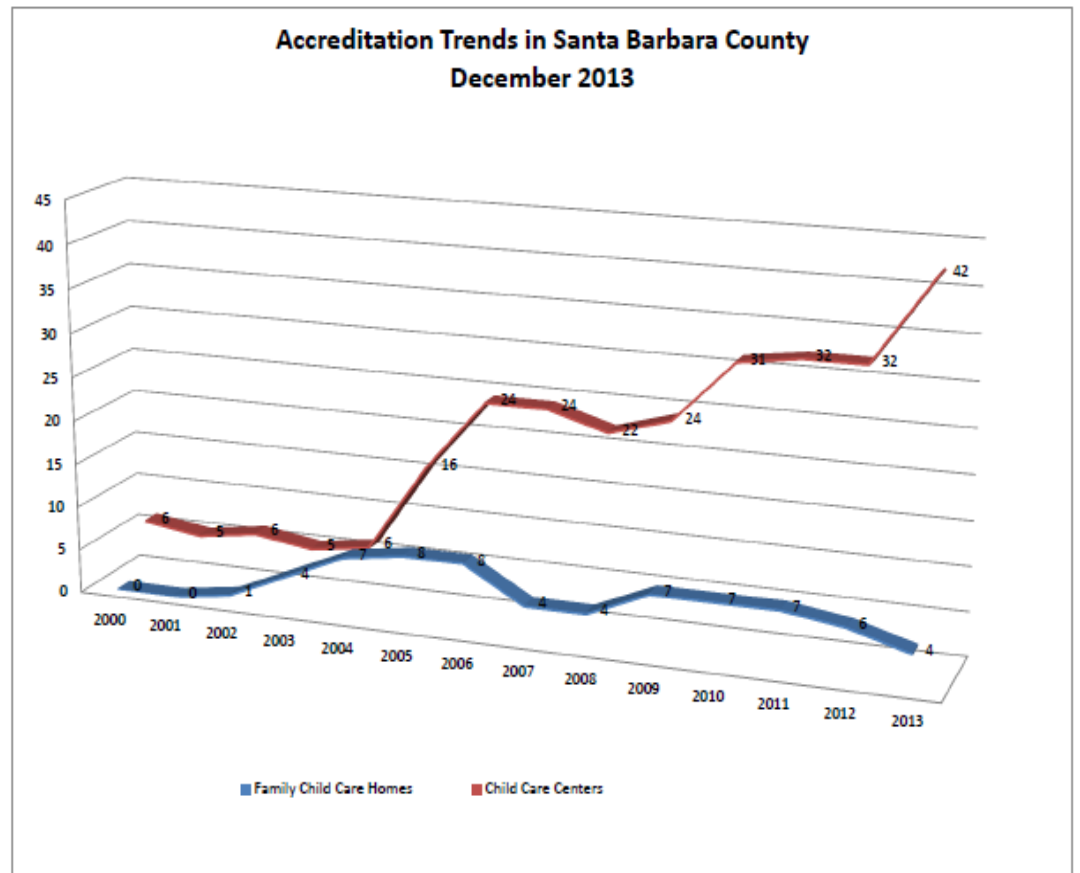
Goals

The goal of the Accreditation Facilitation Project is to:

- Improve the quality of early care and education by encouraging programs to participate in the NAEYC Accreditation process.
- Provide an ongoing support system for early care and education programs as they work through the NAEYC Accreditation process.

The AFP is designed to provide support and financial assistance to early care and education programs seeking NAEYC accreditation. To date the AFP has supported over 60 programs in Santa Barbara County.

The project has two types of deliverables: at one level are the center based programs pursuing NAEYC accreditation and re-accreditation and at the other level are the currently accredited programs.



List of Accredited Centers in SB County:

North County: Betteravia Early Learning Center, CAC Adam Center, CAC Alvin Center, CAC Buena Vista Center, CAC Cuyama Head Start, CAC Guadalupe, CAC "J.C." Washington, CAC Little Village Center, CAC Los Adobes Head Start, CAC Los Padres Head Start, CAC Meridian Head Start, CAC Oakley Head Start, CAC - Sierra Madre Head Start, CAC-Tanglewood Head Start, CAC Westgate, Pasitos MSHS Community Action Partnership of SLO

South County: CAC Carpinteria Head Start at Main, Carpinteria State Preschool, Circle of Friends Children's Center, Discoveries Learning Centers at Bright Horizons, CAC Goleta Head Start & Early Head Start, Orfaela Children's Center @ Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, SBUSD- Child Development McKinley and Early Years Preschools, Orfaela Children's Early Learning Center at SBCC, Storyteller Children's Center, UCSB Early Childhood Care & Education Services

Mid-County: CAC Chestnut Early Head Start, CAC Fillmore Center, CAC "I" Center Head Start, De Colores State Preschool Just for Kids State Preschool, La Honda State Preschool, Los Alamos State Preschool, CAC Maple Head Start, Santa Ynez Valley State Preschool, The Learning Place State Preschool, Vandenberg Child Development Center, Zaca Center Preschool/SBCEO

NAEYC Accreditation and First 5 Santa Barbara County

First 5 SB county has partnered with the Orfaela Foundations to provide support services to center-based programs seeking national accreditation via the Accreditation Facilitation Project. NAEYC accreditation is a professional voluntary self-study process by which early childhood programs demonstrate that they meet 10 national standards of excellence and quality. Programs that meet these standards provide a safe and healthy environment for children, have teachers and staff who are well-trained and provide appropriate learning activities. For more information please contact First 5 at 560-1037