

2022 Annual Report

# Advantage Foster Family

Serving So. California's Youth for 19 Years



### Our Mission

The mission of Advantage Foster Family Agency is to provide trauma-focused services to abused and neglected children, so they can stabilize in a nurturing home environment where they can development healthy attachments and the opportunity to develop purpose.

## Our Philosophy

Our philosophy is that children are most likely to thrive in a joy-filled environment with one or two healthy primary attachments. With guidance and the exploration of a child's abilities and experiences as they relate to the world around them, purpose is gradually developed over time. Denial of that vital attachment, or the ability to explore, will result in a diminished development of well-being and purpose. The varying degrees of trauma experienced by a child exposed to neglect, abuse, and separation are real. The impact of that trauma on a child's vital connection to his world can range from mild to profound, consequently affecting their ability to survive or thrive in that world. As a program that receives these children in varying states of trauma, our responsibility is to do everything within our means to match them to a family that can fortify the child with healthy relationships and a sense of security that can eventually result in attachment.

## Advantage FFA - Board of Directors

Ryan Hama-Board Chairman

Catherine Liedahl-Secretary

Linda Junir

Vicki Rider

Bill Rider

Adam Sandlar (Alternate)

### Our Team

Vicki Rider, MSW-Executive Director

Bill Rider-COO

Rachel Nair, MSW-Social Worker Supervisor

Anshumala Ram, MSW-Social Worker

Tiffany Fox, MSW - Social Worker

Kayla Conn, MSW - Social Worker

Taylor Jasso, BSW - Social Worker

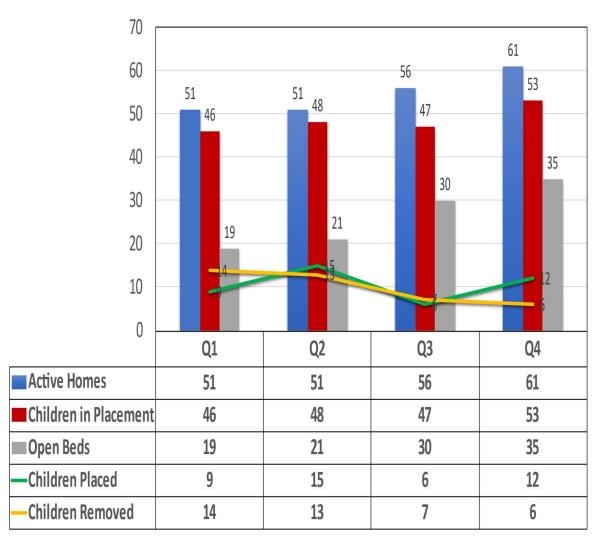
Socorro Avalos - Admin

Kylie Clark – Admin Assistant

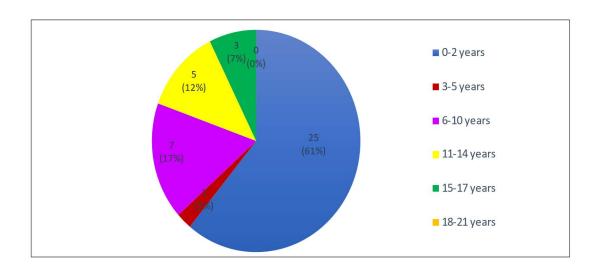
### **Placement Statistics**

The following statistics represent active homes, placements, and census data for Advantage Foster Family Agency for the reporting period January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022.

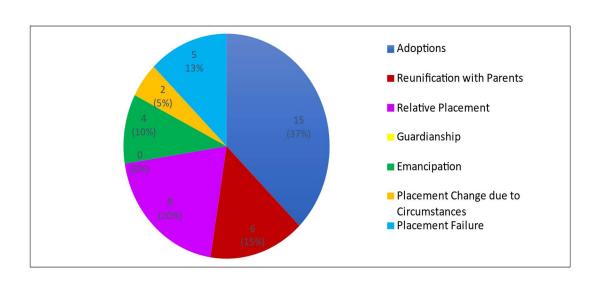
## AFFA Foster Care Statistics, 2022



#### Placement of Children by Age Group, 2022

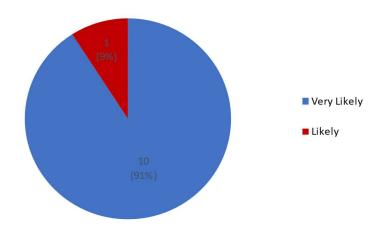


#### Placement Termination, 2022

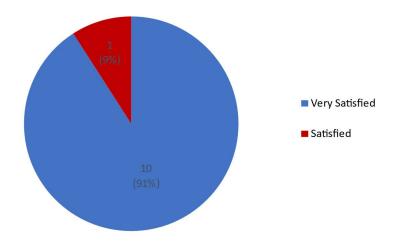


### How Foster Parents Rated AFFA (11 respondents)

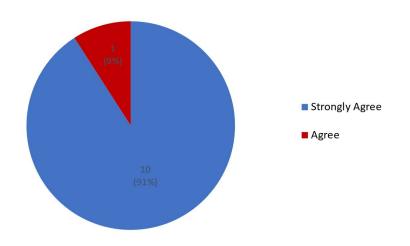
How likely are you to recommend Advantage Foster Family Agency to friends or family members interested in fostering and/or adopting?



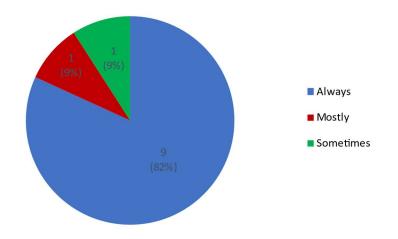
How satisfied are you as a foster parent at Advantage Foster Family Agency?



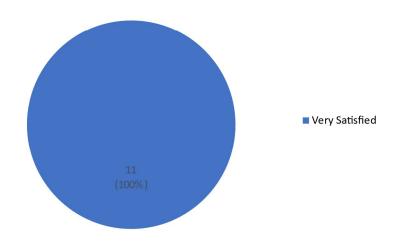
## Do you feel that you are in an effective, working partnership with your AFFA social worker?



## Do you feel Advantage Foster Family Agency is meeting your overall needs as a resource parent?



How satisfied are you with the timeliness and accuracy of your foster care payment which you receive?



### Other Placement Data

- 16 new homes trained and certified in 2022.
- 4 homes decertified: 3 due to move and 1 due to other circumstances.
- 8 LGBTQ foster homes.