



The Child Crisis Center is Building a New Facility for Valley Families

Nothing is more important than a strong, safe family. The Child Crisis Center understands this because we have sheltered over 11,600 victims of child abuse & neglect since 1981. The Center, a leader in child abuse prevention and education is committed to continue providing children and families in our community the prevention education and parent support services they need by creating a comprehensive continuum of care in which educational, family support, and counseling services are provided in one facility.

The Child Crisis Center is at the forefront of prevention education programming. The Center recognizes that the education and support of parents is the most important factor in eliminating child abuse and neglect. In response, the Center founded the Family Resource Center (FRC) in 1996 to provide free classes and resources to families in our community. Since 1996, over 16,000 families have participated in programs at the FRC. For many years, programming at the FRC has operated with long waiting lists; the demand for services far exceeds the physical capacity of the current facility on University and Robson in Mesa.

To fulfill the growing demand, the Center has embarked upon construction of a larger facility to increase the number of families it is able to serve. The new Family Resource Center is located at 815 N. Country Club Drive, just north of the intersection of Country Club and 8th Street in Mesa, AZ.

Thousands of local families will benefit from this new facility. It will house the Family Resource Center's expansive number of educational classes and programs (currently around 30), a permanent resource library, and offer a myriad of family and children's counseling services. Construction is on schedule and services are slated to begin operations at this location in January of 2008.

The capital campaign to fund this project, *"Breaking Ground to Build Stronger Families"* began in late 2005 and has to date raised \$5.4 million dollars to fund the project. Included in this expansion is a renovation of the Center's current children's residential emergency shelter. We are truly excited by the outpouring of interest and financial support we have received for this project; individuals, community groups, corporations, foundations and local governments have all helped to make this vital community resource become a reality.

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