



AGENCY FACT SHEET

History: Youth and Family Enrichment Services (YFES) is the product of a merger between two of San Mateo County’s most reputable non-profit agencies, Family and Community Enrichment Services (FACES) and Youth and Family Assistance (YFA.) The merger was completed in June, 2003. YFES is one of the County’s largest providers of youth services, and reaches over 34,000 San Mateo County residents each year.

Mission: Our mission is to strengthen communities by empowering children, youth, adults and families to overcome challenges through education, counseling, and residential services.

Clients: YFES programs address issues that disproportionately affect the health and well-being of young people and families in lower socio-economic strata, those without insurance, and those from communities of color throughout San Mateo County. The population that YFES serves struggles with lack of access to health care, homelessness, substance abuse, juvenile crime, physical and sexual abuse and family crises.

Asian or Pacific Islander	7%
Black (not of Hispanic origin)	6%
Hispanic	31%
White (not of Hispanic origin)	37%
Other (bi-racial, Middle Eastern, or not reported)	19%
Female	43%
Male	57%

Programs:

- Advocacy programs to promote **youth development** in our community.
- Shelters that provide **temporary housing** for homeless teens or youth in family crisis; assistance to foster children who are becoming independent.
- Diversion program for youth who commit a **first-time misdemeanor** offense.
- **Counseling** services for local schools, as well as for individuals and families.
- **Crisis, Alcohol, Drug, and Parent Support hotlines** for County residents, teen web site and chat room, and an intervention team that provides education and intervention services to schools.
- Court-mandated and voluntary programs for adults, teens and children who suffer from **mental health** and/or **substance abuse** problems.
- Intervention and prevention services for families with children under 5 years of age who have been exposed to the **trauma of family violence**.
- Court-mandated **non-violence** and anger management programs for persons convicted of a domestic violence offense.
- **Training** program for counselors earning Master’s and Doctoral degrees.
- Case management support for families who are referred by **Child Protective Services (CPS)** as being at low- to moderate-risk for child abuse or neglect.

Funding: YFES has an annual operating budget of \$9.5 million, which is funded through a combination of government contracts (78%), fees for service (7%), foundation grants (11%), and donations (4%).