

FACT SHEET

ChildServ is a family-oriented nonprofit that runs a variety of programs that help keep children and families out of risky situations by providing a long-term view with services from infancy onward. A multitude of services includes foster care, adoption services, child care, tutoring, early childhood education, immigration support and parenting support.

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Family Child Care Homes

The Family Child Care Homes program is designed to develop and support a network of affordable, high-quality day care homes to low-income families residing in targeted communities. The program also recruits families eligible to receive State-funded child care subsidies and access quality care for their children in the family child care homes. In addition, the program supports the efforts of parents by allowing them to maintain active employment and/or participation in educational or training programs.

Parent Empowerment Program (PEP)

The Parent Empowerment Program (PEP) is a home-based early intervention and prevention program for children from birth to three years old. The program works to empower parents to become advocates for themselves and their children in the areas of medical, educational and social service needs. The coordinated set of services and support also includes individual family home visits and center-based group activities, as well as helps families build an active social support network.

Armour Child and Family Therapy Services

Armour Counseling provides therapy to our clients and the communities we serve. Therapists respond to individual and family needs, strengthening their ability to work through challenges.

Grandfamily Support

Designed to take care of the growing need for support for grandparents who are raising their grandchildren or kin, Grandfamily Support Program offers grandparents the support they need to be successful. Components include: in-home assessments, educational and peer support groups, short term counseling and referral resources.

Family Child Care Homes

A program offering a support network of affordable high-quality child care homes to low income families residing in targeted communities. Family Child Care Homes allows many parents the opportunity to work, go to school or participate in training programs.

Family Foster Care

Our Family Foster Care program includes both Traditional and Home of relative foster care. We provide clinical, comprehensive case management and therapeutic services for the children and their families of origin and the foster parents. Our dedicated staff works hard to ensure the right foster parent for each child.

Specialty Foster Care:

Project 90

ChildServ offers children in foster care who have acted out sexually or have been victimized in a sexual manner, comprehensive services, including: counseling, therapy, tutoring, recreational services and case management.

Teen Mom

Our Teen Mom program pairs young mothers and their children with foster homes. The program speaks to the unique need teen mothers have—the need to be nurtured and to nurture their own child.

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Safe Homes for Kids

A Partnership with the City of Chicago, Safe Homes for Kids reunites siblings in foster care, allowing families to stay together. ChildServ is the licensing and monitoring agency for two homes on the West Side of Chicago.

Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPIY)

Since 1989, ChildServ has been offering HIPPIY. The home based educational program offers the parents of 3-5 year old children the opportunity to strengthen their child's cognitive skills, early literacy skills and social and physical development by using a curriculum designed for parent participation.

Home-Based Early Head Start (EHS)

Since 1998, ChildServ has been offering in-home child and family focused activities designed to offer early learning opportunities for children ages 0-3 and their families.

Project Interweave

A school based program designed to assist children and their families in educational success. The program focuses on the needs of each individual child and employs positive, solution focused, tactics to achieve its goals.

Parent Empowerment Program (PEP)

Empowering families to be advocates in a wide-range of areas, PEP offers home-based programming for families with children ages 0-3. The program focuses in the areas of medical educational and support systems for the families.

Ways to Work

Offering low interest loans to low-income working parents in the Waukegan and Englewood neighborhoods, Ways to Work gives transportation loans to families who need reliable transportation. Ways to Work also offers financial management component designed to teach participants about basic financial principles.