



D'Veal Family and Youth Services  
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**Balanced Families • Balanced Children • Balanced Lives**

# We Listen • We Care



Juan is a 16 year old Hispanic male who was on probation and suffered from depression. He used marijuana, stole, was truant from school, and was receiving failing grades. His parents are of Mexican and Salvadorian descent, do not speak English, and have struggled with adjusting to their new environment. Juan and his parents benefited from enrollment in D'Veal's highly effective evidence-based treatment MultiDimensional Family Therapy (MDFT) program. Juan was able to eliminate his substance use and school truancy. He improved grades from all fails and enrolled in AP classes. He improved his relationship with his parents and successfully completed his probation. He is now voluntarily receiving mental health services to address on-going issues of depression.

# Mending One Family at a Time



D'Veal is a community-based mental health agency providing a broad array of comprehensive mental health and early intervention services to children and families throughout the greater Los Angeles community. The clinical staff utilizes the latest research proven Evidence-Based Practices (EBPs). D'Veal is accredited by The Joint Commission.

## Our 2017-2018 Performance Review Data

- 90% of services are focused on early intervention
- Services provided to 802 Department of Mental Health clients is an increase of 37% over the last three years
- Nearly half of clients served were age 11 and under, with one in every twelve being age 5 and younger
- 85% of services are delivered in the home, school or community with only 15% in an office setting
- 72.4% of clients were Hispanic, 14.1% African American
- Emotional well-being, relationships, behavior and social problems all improved from clinical to normal levels, as measured by standardized assessment tools, The Youth Outcome Questionnaire (YOQ) and YOQ-SR).
- 91% of families receiving Family Preservation Services and Alternative Response Services, successfully completed the entire program, thus preventing child abuse and out-of-home placement.



# Become a "Guardian of Hope" Donor

When we first met James, he displayed extremely low-frustration tolerance, erupting into frequent and severe temper tantrums. He would throw and destroy items and displayed physical aggression toward his mother: hitting, biting and pinching. His speech was delayed and he typically communicated through grunts, gestures, and physical aggression. The clinical staff at D'Veal selected Child Parent Psychotherapy, an evidence-based treatment intervention designed specifically to address behaviors like those presented by James. Over the course of treatment, James' physical aggression ceased, and he learned to use his words to express his needs. Daily routines were put into place, and James' mom was able to enhance her parenting skills, increased self-confidence, and improved her ability to provide a secure and nurturing home environment.

In addition to the specialized services needed by James, recent data from the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services statistics reveal that 45% - 56% of the foster-care population is under the age of five years, and 1 in 5 children entering the Foster-Care system is under the age of one!

Concerned community volunteer, Charlene Vega, the newly elected D'Veal Board President, introduced Robert Lopez to the services offered by D'Veal. Robert is a successful business person and owner of a technology company that provides full data, voice, and security network and communications services. Robert stated, "I have been blessed with a good life and want to give back." After hearing the positive outcomes achieved by James and his mother, Robert became a Guardian of Hope and made a \$30,000 donation to D'Veal to expand the services provided by the 0-5 Seeds of Change Program.

Your tax deductible donation will assist D'Veal in expanding services to this very vulnerable population and will help restore a sense of safety and encourage nurturing and positive parent-child relationships.

As a Guardian of Hope Donor, you will see the impact of your contributions through newsletters, invitations for you and your guests to attend special events and your name placed on the donor wall at D'Veal.

For more information regarding becoming a Guardian of Hope Donor, visit our website at [www.dveal.org](http://www.dveal.org) or call (626) 296-8900

