

## HISTORY OF THE PROGRAM

The Resource Center Program was developed through a desire to offer awareness and prevention of child abuse and neglect. Sally Kate Winters Family Services began addressing the prevention of child abuse and neglect through community awareness and parenting programs in 1993. The program adapted services and activities each year based on funding sources available for prevention efforts. In 2000, a Families First Resource Center was opened on-site structuring the prevention efforts into five primary service areas. The Resource Center Program provides services for thousands of Clay County children and families annually and has become a vital service to the community.



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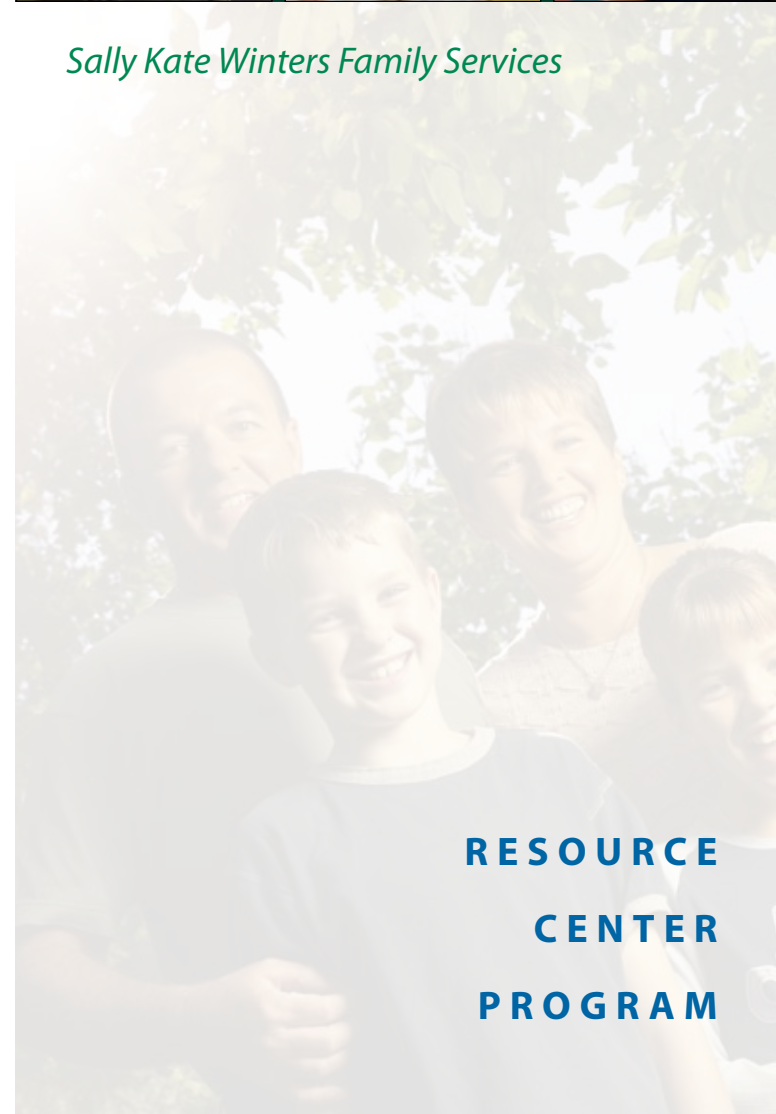
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## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Sally Kate Winters Family Services Resource Center Program offers family support services that enhance the ability of parents to respond to their children in a positive manner and strengthen the family unit. A variety of programs and services are provided for parents, youth, and professionals that are designed to increase family stability and independence by offering training and resources that promote a safe, stable, and supportive family environment.

Located in West Point, identified as North Central Mississippi, the Resource Center Program primarily targets Clay County with services extending within the Golden Triangle Area. The program identifies five key objectives: Parenting Skills, Abstinence Education, Fatherhood Initiative, Healthy Marriage, and Public Awareness. All services are available to the general public and include coordinated efforts with various community organizations. The Mississippi Department of Human Services and local Youth Court are a primary source of referrals for services.



**To empower children and families to seek and experience an improved quality of life.**

**OUR MISSION**



## GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Every child is unique and effects the overall well-being of the community. Their personal character development determines whether that effect will be positive or negative.
- Family stability is the foundation for educational achievement, positive self-esteem, and ability to achieve a high quality of life.
- Parents generally have a desire to nurture and teach their children but often times do not know how.
- The success of all families is dependent on the support and resources made available by the community.

## FUNDING

The Sally Kate Winters Family Services Resource Center Program is funded by Mississippi Department of Human Services, special grants and community in-kind donations.



## RESOURCE CENTER SERVICES

- **Resource Center Library**
  - Hours of Operation: Tuesday – Friday; 9:00 am – 4:30 pm
  - Offers for the general public: Computer Access and Internet Capabilities; Laminating, Binding, and Ellison Machine Usage; Copies; Checkout of Books, Videos, and Programs
- **Parenting Classes**
  - Offered monthly for designated populations
  - Offered quarterly on Tuesday evenings
    - Parents of Adolescents (ages 10 & up)
    - Parents of Young Children (ages 10 & under)
  - Offered for churches, community organizations, etc. upon request
- **Anger Management Classes**
  - Available for adults and youth through separate classes
- **Children In The Middle**
  - Skills-based classes for parents and children dealing with divorce
- **Abstinence Education**
  - Coordinated with community organizations, churches, and local schools
- **Character Education/Life Skills Programs**
- **Professional Training**
- **Foster Parent Support and Training**
- **Fatherhood Initiative Workshops and Activities**
- **Healthy Marriage Seminars**
- **Public Awareness**

*\*Class schedules and calendar of events are updated weekly and can be viewed on the website, [www.sallykatewinters.org](http://www.sallykatewinters.org).*