

## Redwood Children's Services, Inc.

(RCS) is a non-profit, public benefit organization serving children and families in Mendocino, Lake and Sonoma Counties. Incorporated in October 1995, RCS began as a Foster Family Agency with a vision to grow and expand services to children and families in our communities.

RCS has grown into a multi-program "Family Service Agency". Our purpose is to provide placement, permanency, counseling and community service options for children through a family sensitive, child focused, strength based approach to care.

Our goal is to strengthen families and empower our communities' most vulnerable children through programs and services that benefit in building a healthy and whole community... one child and one family at a time.

### ***Our Mission:***

*To improve the lives of children, youth and families by providing community support and quality therapeutic services.*

### ***Our Values:***

*RCS believes that through staff commitment and providing a sense of community, we will assist our youth to develop healing relationships.*

*RCS strives to help our children gain power in their lives, believe in themselves, and ultimately trust others enough to give and receive love. RCS is committed to developing programs that ensure our children's long-term success.*

## Partners of the PAD

- *Lake County Behavioral Health*
- *Lake County Office of Education*
- *Lake County Tribal Health Consortium*
- *Lake County Pride Foundation*
- *Lake Family Resource Center*
- *Mendo-Lake Alternative Services, Inc.*

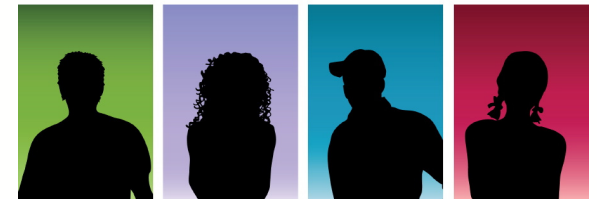


*"Helping Hands...  
Loving Hearts"*



***"RCS is an equal opportunity provider  
and employer"***

## The PAD Protection Assistance and Development



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*"Taking action to enrich our children's future."*

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## Introduction

### The PAD

Is a community alternative for Runaway and Homeless Youth who might otherwise end up in the child welfare, mental health, or juvenile justice system, or on the streets.

### About The PAD

The primary goal of The PAD is to address the needs of community teens by:

- Centralizing resources specific to Runaway and Homeless Youth (Ages 14-17)
- Providing temporary (21 days maximum) shelter and direct care.
- Maximizing youth potential through coordinated activities.
- Empowering and supporting families in reunifying with their children or locating safe, stable, permanent housing for youth.
- Provides 6-12 months of aftercare services for all youth who reside in the shelter to ensure youth are successful after reunification.

## What PAD Provides

### The PAD Provides the Following:

- *Temporary Housing*
- *Family Reunification Services*
- *Mental Health and Substance Abuse Screenings*
- *Crisis Management and Planning*
- *Life Skills*
- *After Care*
- *Peer Support Counseling*
- *Substance Use/Misuse Support*
- *Relationship Workshops*
- *Anger Management*
- *Clothing Closet*
- *Hygiene Closet*
- *Motivational Movies*



## Get Involved!



*At the PAD, we strive to engage youth with our community and there is no better way to involve young people than through community service and educational field trips! With this in mind, we encourage each youth residing at the shelter to participate in weekend and summer activities, which helps youth build a sense of community.*

**If you are interested in providing community service opportunities to our youth, please contact us at  
*(707) 994-5486***