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Shaping the Future for Children

Building Brighter Futures

***Relationship Education with
Non-Custodial Parents***

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Resources for Teaching Relationship Skills
to Teens and Young Adults



Los Angeles County

Child Support Services Department



Too many children today are raised with only one parent



Many people face challenges in becoming responsible
NCPs.



These challenges can derail them
from achieving their goals.



In LA County, we see good results from teaching
NCPs relationship skills.





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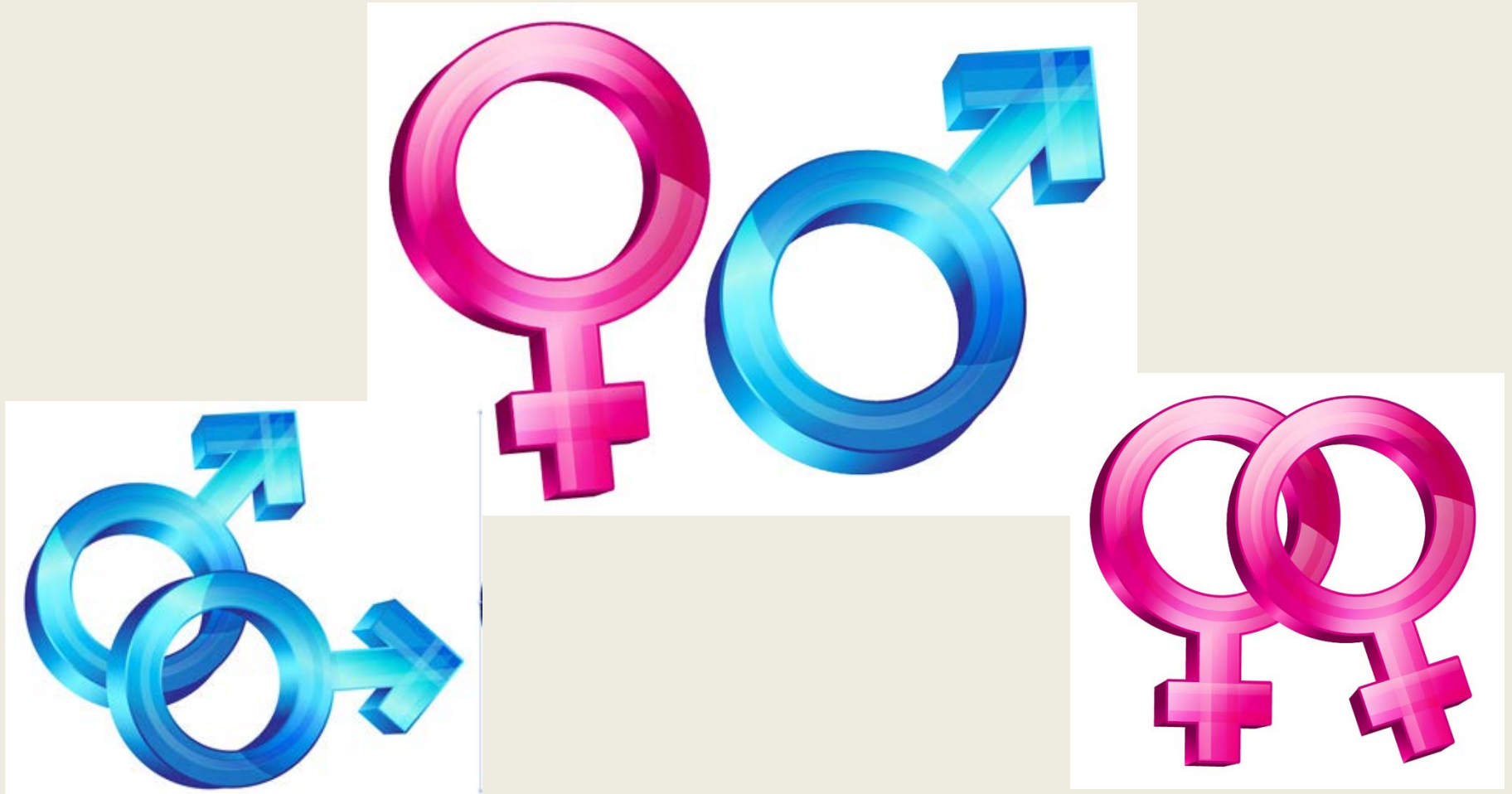
The Dibble Institute believes in research



The Dibble Institute believes in stable, healthy families



The Dibble Institute believes all people deserve respect.





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Love lives matter.



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Having a love life is part of growing up.



It is a developmentally important step of becoming an adult.



Families are a universal institution.



Even in our hook-up culture

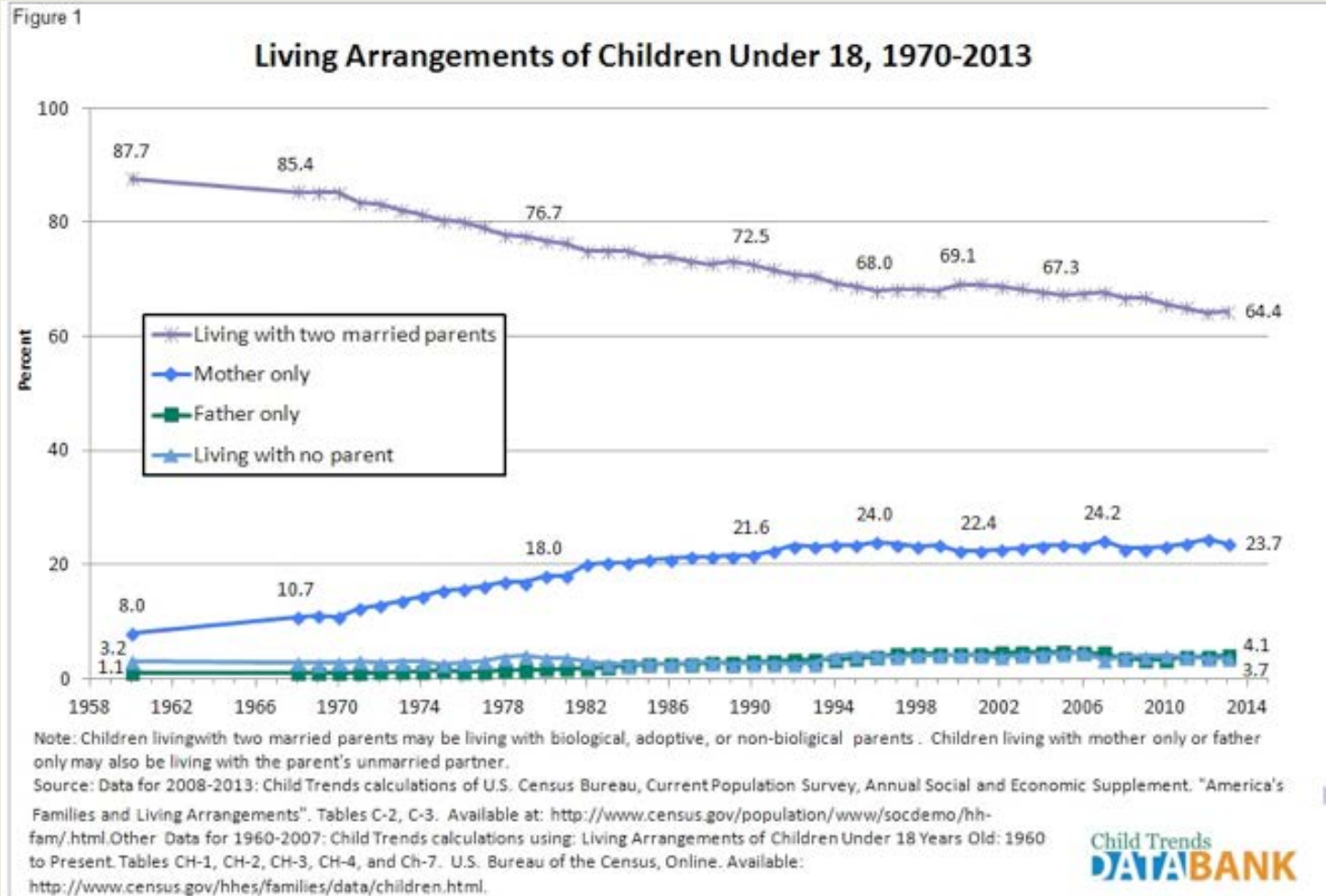
young people want long lasting, committed relationships



Family formation has changed.



More children are not living with both parents.



Cohabitation is the new normal.



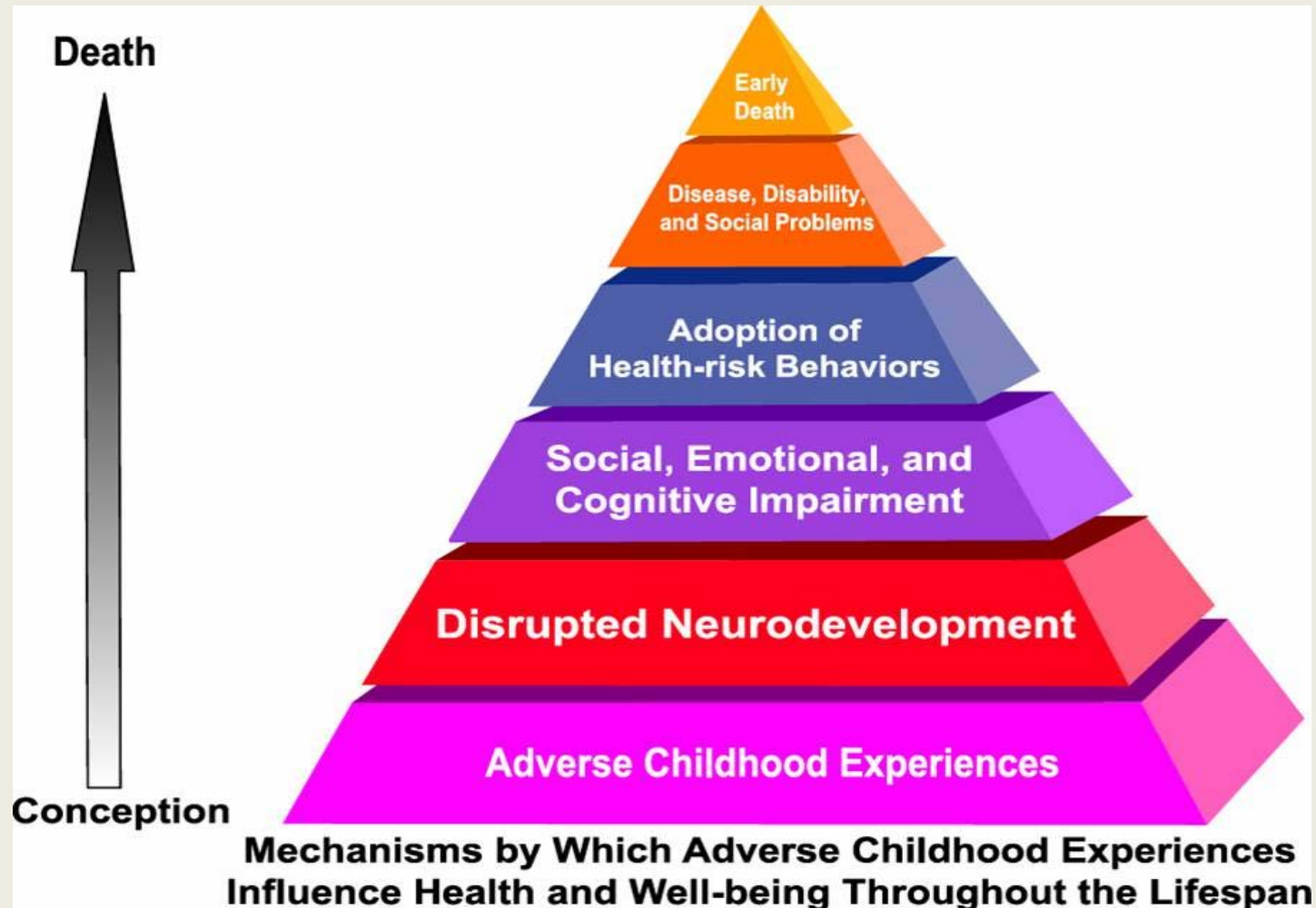
20% of all Americans are involved in the Child Support system.



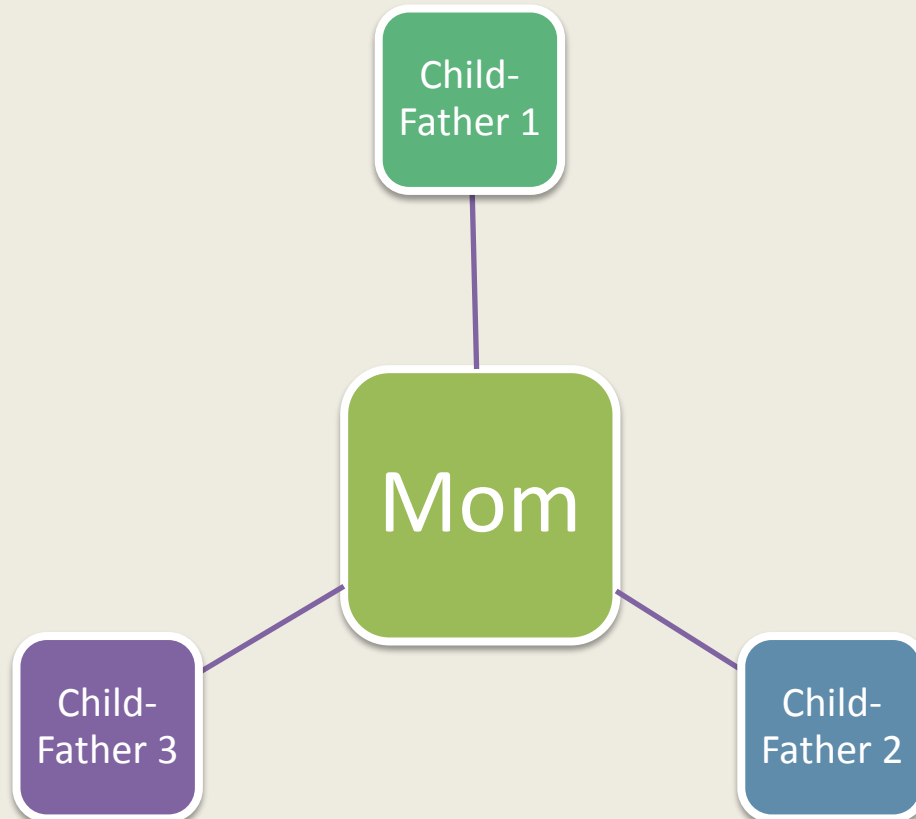
Family formation matters to children.



Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) matter for a lifetime.



Biological “complex households” are tough on children.



Children are most likely to be abused by non-related males living in the home.



Love lives matter.



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NCPs can be better parents when their relationships
are healthier.



Healthier relationships increase respectful co-parenting.



Parents are motivated when they look at the world through the eyes of their child.



Healthier relationships can reduce stressful transitions.



Healthy relationships make reaching employment goals easier.



IQ and job skills alone
are poor predictors of job performance.



Social and emotional intelligence are key to job retention and success.



According to the DOL,

employability skills include interpersonal skills as well as reliability and dependability.



Healthier relationships create stronger future families.



Addressing the quality of a couple's relationship can prevent dysfunctional parenting practices.



Married couples build more assets and provide more social capital for their children.



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We can help NCPs “Build Brighter Futures” through relationship education.



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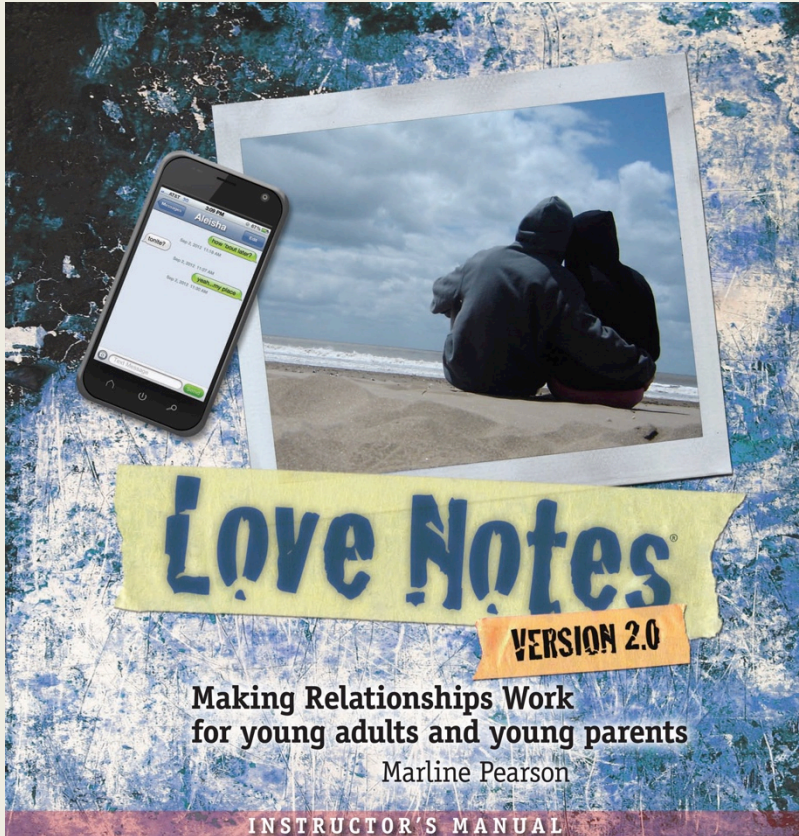


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and a ServeSafe Certificate



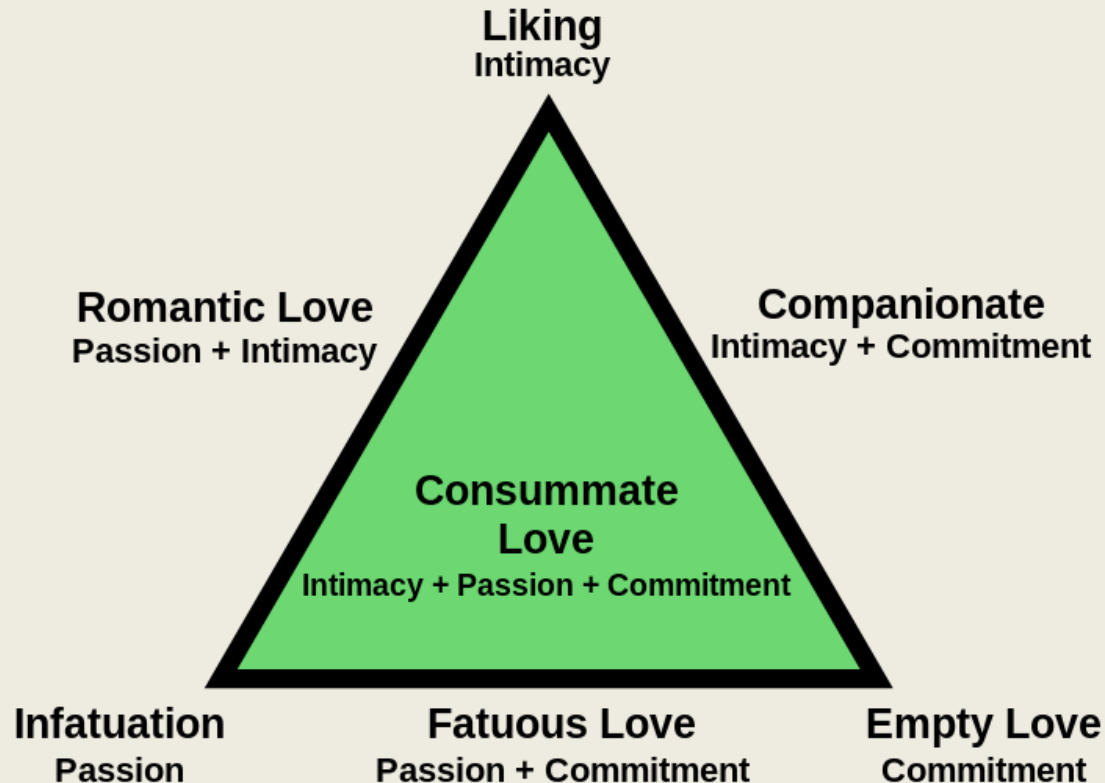
We also provide snacks, bus passes, and benchmark payments.



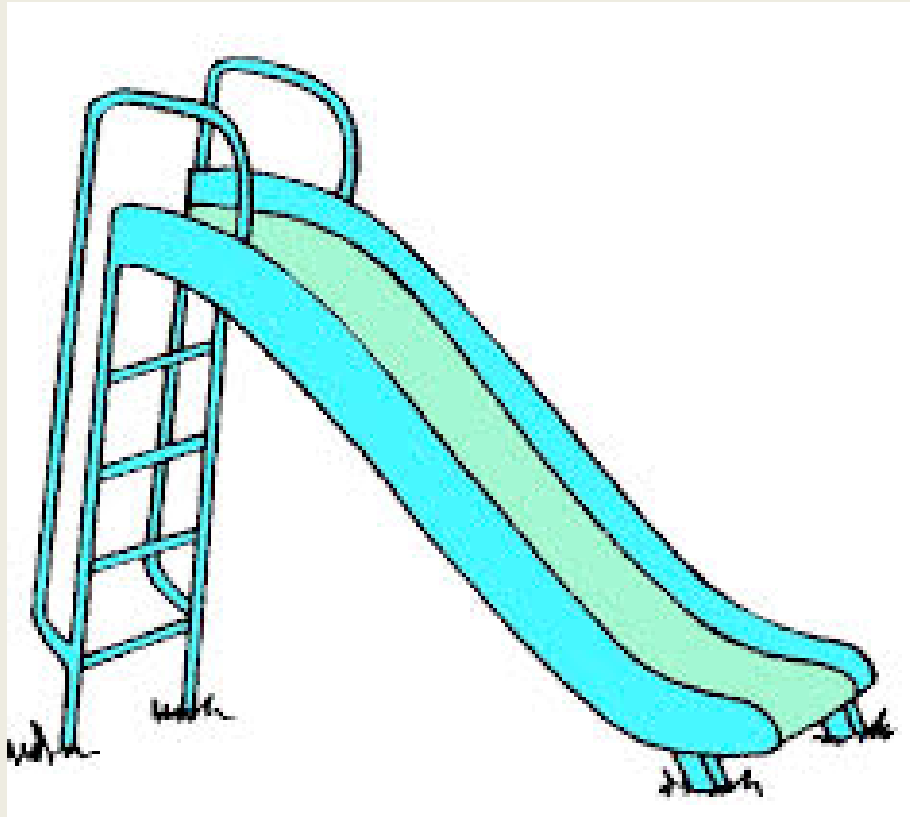
LACSSD recruits participants, attends classes, and supports participants.



NCPs learn critical relationships beliefs and skills.



They learn the importance of Deciding and not
Sliding into relationships.



They learn communication
and emotional regulation skills.



They learn love lives matters, especially for children.



BBF helps NCPs become better parents.



Participants are getting jobs and complying with
Child Support orders.



Participants report better communications with
their co-parents.



Participants report increases in parent-child
connectedness.



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