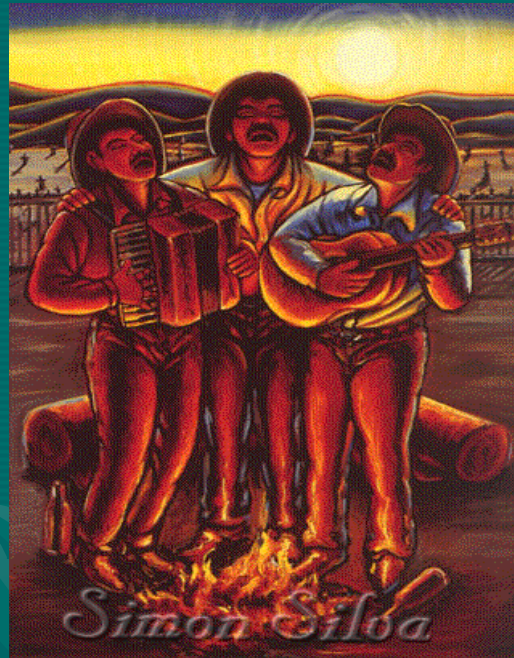




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THE YOUNG MEN'S PROJECT
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY



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Family Youth Services

- **Los Compadres & Las Comadres Program**
- WIA – Youth Job Placement (16 – 21)
- TAPP – Teen Age Parenting Program
- ILP – Independent Living Program (Foster Youth)
- Parenting Program

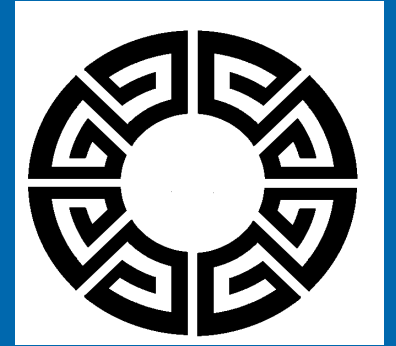
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LOS COMPADRES?

Los Compadres is an interdisciplinary and culturally relevant program for males. The program targets males between the ages of 12 to ?.



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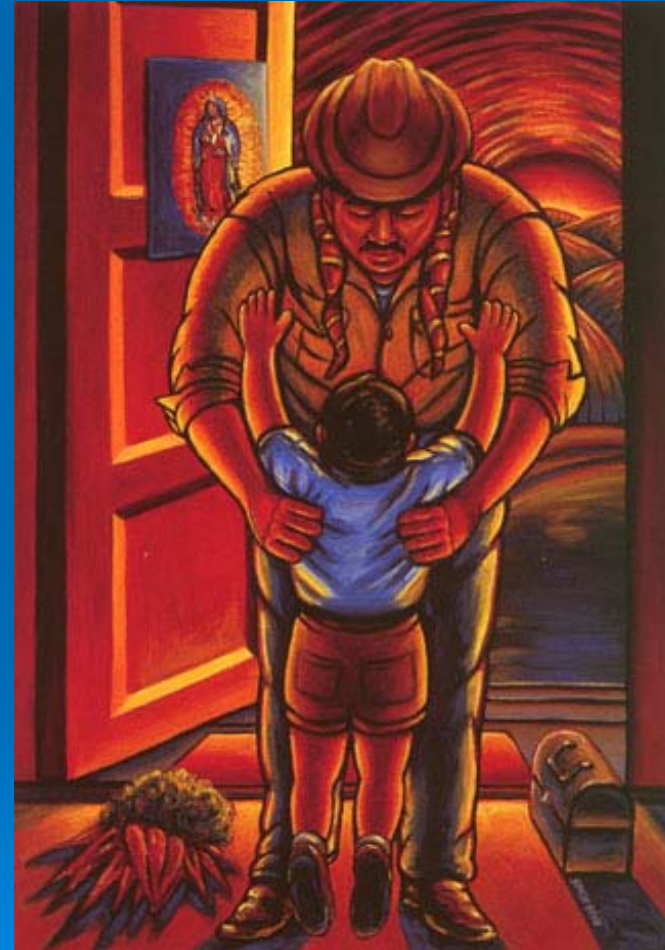
- Pregnancy Prevention
- Drug/Alcohol Education/ Information
- Sexually Transmitted Infections
- Domestic Violence Prevention
- Male Responsibility
- Father Involvement
- Positive Role Models/Mentors

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Why Work with High Risk Youth

- 10%
- Teen Fatherhood
- Drop Out Rate
- STD's
- Violence
- Drug Use
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Internal Factors to Consider

- Multiple Risk-Factors
 - Comprehensive Services
- Identity Issues
 - Latino Youth
 - Pocho
- Conflicting Cultures – School, Home, Generation
- Socializing Agents – Family, School, Church -- Gangs

Internal Factors cont.....

- Finding Solutions When Adults Don't Offer Any
- MH Disorders - Diagnosis

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Curriculums

by Jerry Tello

- **El Joven Noble/ Noble Young Men**
 - Males Rites of Passage**
- **FIRE and WATER – Violence and Substance abuse**
- **Amor De Padres – Parenting**

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- HONESTY
- TRUST
- RESPECT
- LOVE



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Los Compadres Current Service Sites in South County

- El Puente School
- Los Prietos Boys Camp/Academy
- La Villa (CEC)
- Probation Referrals and JJCPA clients
- La Cumbre Middle School
- La Casa de La Raza after school program
- Goleta Office 5638 Hollister Ave Suite 110
- Head Start Centers (Parenting)



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Type of Services



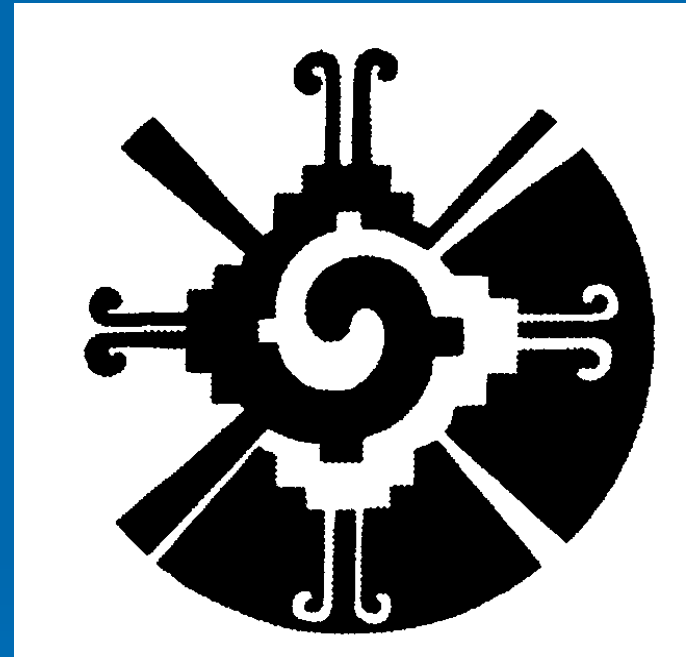
- Groups Sessions
- One-on-one sessions
- Youth Retreats
- Drop in Center
- Parenting Classes
- Circulo de Hombres
- Restorative Justice Services



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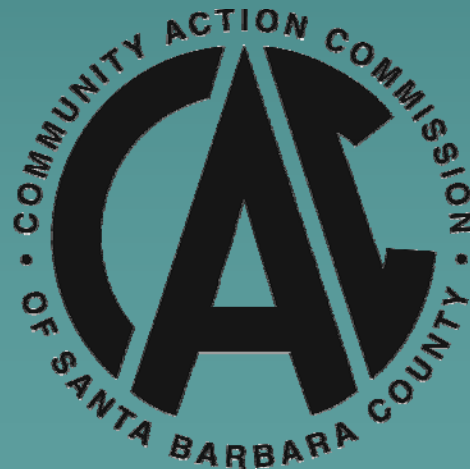
Needs in the Community

- Las Comadres Program in South County
- More trained Staff
- Opportunities for our youth to enter positions of leadership and employment within their own community.



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