

## Child Development

### Baby Bungalow

The Baby Bungalow Program works in conjunction with the Healthy Start Coalition and the Children's Board of Hillsborough County and now hosts groups at 7 different locations throughout the county. New and experienced parents and caregivers benefit from a wide variety of playgroups, workshops and other activities. At Baby Bungalow, we provide direction and resources to help you successfully raise your children. All services are for 'any baby, any family.'

*Baby & Me:* An ongoing, drop-in playgroup for parents/caregivers and babies, newborn to 12 months of age, to share and learn through play. The experiences offered support babies' social, emotional, physical and cognitive development through sensory materials, songs and positive interactions.

*Growing Together:* A 5-week playgroup for confidently walking children, 12-24 months of age. This group is led by a facilitator and targets the developmental domains of cognitive (language, math and more), physical, social and emotional development.

*Wonder Years:* A 5-week playgroup for children 24 to 36 months of age. This group is led by a facilitator and uses play, music, stories and more to foster toddlers' growing independence, self-regulation and curiosity during the 'teachable twos'.

*Creative Learning:* A 5-week playgroup for children 36 to 60 months of age. Led by a facilitator and designed to promote children's critical thinking, problem solving and creativity through discovery and play.

*Little Amigos:* A 5-week playgroup for children 24 to 48 months of age that's led by a facilitator and exposes our Little Amigos to Spanish through music, singing, rhymes and activities using conversational phrases.

*Music & More:* A 5-week playgroup that nurtures the development of confidently walking 12 month olds to 5 years of age, through music and other activities.

<https://cfctb.org/services/baby-bungalow/>

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### Champions for Children

Champions for Children is a nationally-accredited agency working to prevent abuse & neglect by providing evidence-based and research-informed resources, education and support to parents and caregivers.

*FRANC (Fathers Resource and Networking Center)* serves as a community-wide hub for fatherhood initiatives, activities and services. The mission of FRANC is to make available resources, support, information and education to enable dads to address the challenges and celebrate the joys of positive fathering and involvement with their children. FRANC services are for all dads... married, single, divorced, foster, surrogate, expectant and mentors.

*Positive Parenting Partnership (P<sup>3</sup>)* is a program that provides tailored interventions designed to positively impact parenting skills; healthy relationships among co-parents; marriage and couple stability; financial health; and increase parenting confidence. P<sup>3</sup> can also link you to other community resources and services as needed.

*Layla's House* is a community-based learning center that provides caregiver-child learning opportunities and resources for parents of children aged birth-5, as well as for expectant mothers.

*Healthy Families* is a home visiting program that offers: Information on your child's growth and development; healthy ways of dealing with everyday stress; help setting and achieving personal and family goals; Positive parenting and discipline skills; and connections to community services.

*Parents as Teachers* is an evidenced-based home visiting program that uses the most current research to promote healthy development and school readiness for children and families, prenatal through kindergarten.

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## Early Childhood Council Hillsborough County, Inc.

The ECC has always been focused on prevention and early intervention efforts with an emphasis on assisting young children with special needs and their families. Historically, the ECC has been instrumental in identifying service gaps, conceptualizing creative solutions and developing partnerships and collaborative relationships to achieve its mission and vision.

*Developmental Screening Program* is a great example of addressing an issue through creative collaboration. Launched in 1986, the program has screened over 30,000 children, and has been replicated in Leon and Jefferson Counties. ECC partners with over 30 different community agencies during monthly screenings.

*Inclusion Support Services* are designed to support early care providers in making accommodations to support children with behavioral and developmental

challenges. The desired result of inclusive experiences for children with and without disabilities and their families include a sense of belonging and membership, positive social relationships, and development and learning to reach their full potential.

*Infant Mental Health Project* seeks to advance our community's understanding and awareness of young children's mental health, and stresses the significance of early attachments and relationships.

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