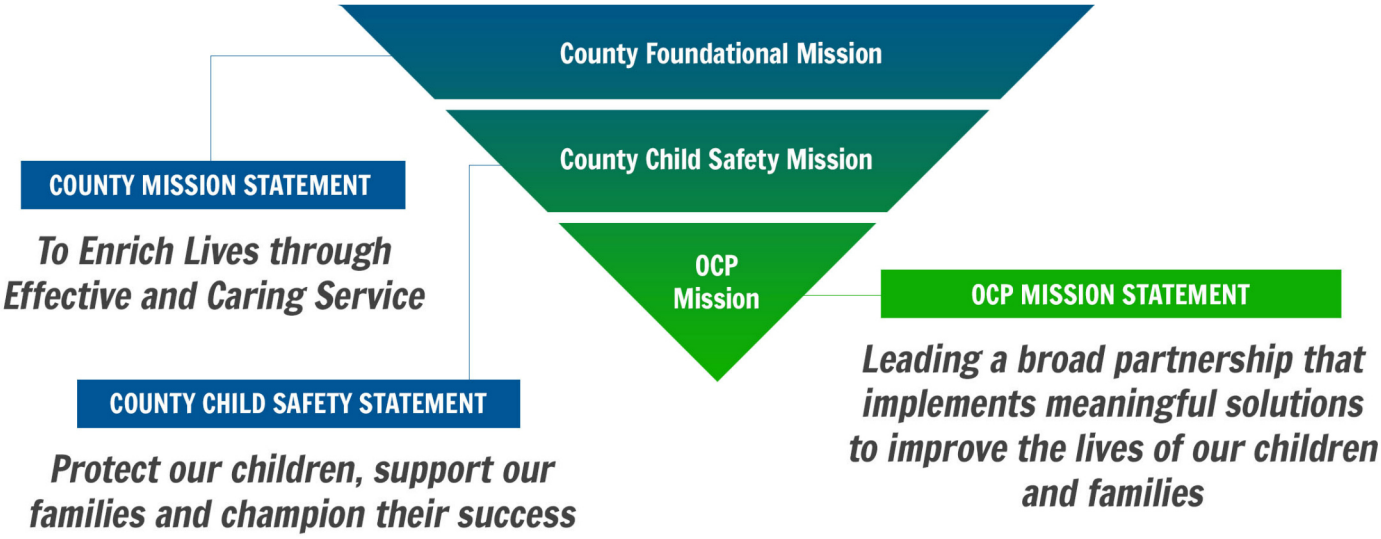
Los Angeles County Mission Statement on

CHILD SAFETY

Preamble to the County Mission Statement on Child Safety:

The safety and well-being of all of our children are of highest priority in the County. Consequently, County departments and agencies will work together as a team to provide the highest quality services to children and families. Broad community input and support is also critical to this mission. The County has established the Office of Child Protection to ensure the County achieves its child safety mission.



VALUES FOR THE COUNTY MISSION ON CHILD SAFETY:

INTEGRITY

We do the right thing for our children and families, listening to their voices, and placing their needs at the center of our policies and actions.

DATA DRIVEN PLANNING

We strategically use data to inform planning, activities, and decision making.

INTEGRATED SERVICE DELIVERY

We facilitate inter-agency collaboration to ensure that County departments both work together and with other diverse stakeholders. Towards this end, joint planning and budgeting is a necessary part of this collaborative process.

CHILD CENTERED & FAMILY FOCUSED

We consider the impact of policy implementation through the eyes of our children and families, and are committed to supporting a continuum of care that is both preventative and provides long-term support.

TRANSPARENCY

We readily share information about our processes, activities, and decision making.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

We actively engage the community as real partners about the best ways to protect children and support their families in the cultural context of each community.

ADVOCACY

We seek to influence national, State, and local policy decisions, program development, and resource allocation to promote continuous improvement of the child protection system and better child protection outcomes.

INNOVATION

We constantly challenge ourselves and partners to advance best practices and seek new solutions for improving child protection, establishing Los Angeles County as a national model.