

RESOURCE LAVC Family Resource Center Center



Meaningful **Employment**

Educational Goals

Holistic Family Support

Mission: To advance social and economic mobility by reducing barriers to higher education and jobs through integrating support services for underserved populations.





The Two-Generation (2Gen) Approach



Two-generation (2Gen) approaches build family well-being by intentionally and simultaneously working with children and the adults in their lives together.

Why a 2Gen Approach?

Research shows that supporting children and their caregivers together has an outsize impact for generations.



A college degree **doubles** a parent's income.



A\$3,000 increase during early childhood yields a **17% increase** in adult earnings.



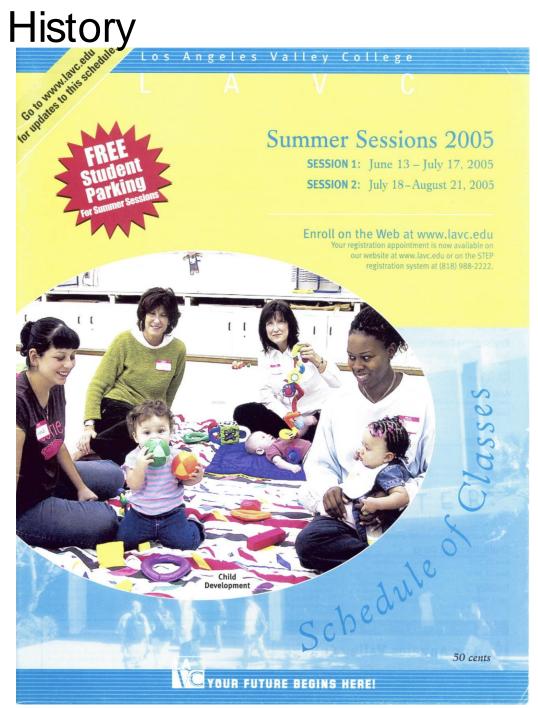
The brains of new parents undergo **major changes**.



Research demonstrates a 13% ROI in high quality early childhood education.



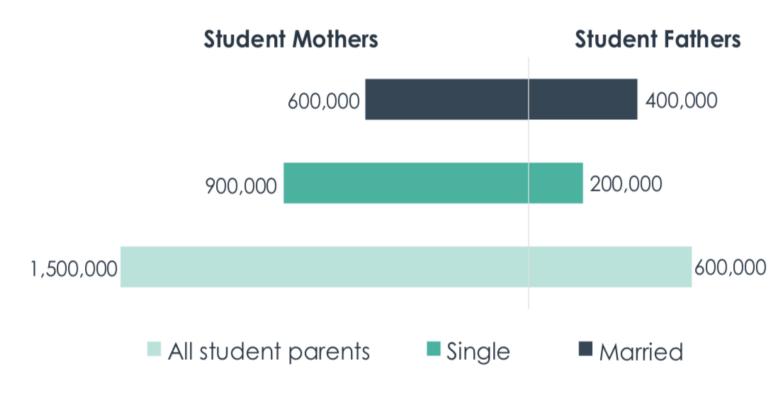
Parents with health insurance are **more likely to** seek care for their children.





30% of All Community College Students are Parents

Number of Student Parents at Public Two-Year Institutions by Sex and Marital Status, 2011/12







Family Resource Center



CHILD:

- Afternoon/Evening School-Age Childcare
- Drop-in School Age Childcare
- Children's supplies (diapers, wipes, school, etc)
- Creative Corner (4-9 year-old activity group)
- Our Space (10–14 year-old activity group)
- Early Intervention Services

PARENT:

- 2Gen Non-credit Parenting Class
- Virtual Cafe
- Workshops
- Mentorship
- Emergency Aid
- Textbook and school supplies
- Community Resources
- Academic Counseling



FAMILY:

- Playgroups
- Family Tutoring
- Kid-Friendly Study Lounge
- Food Pantry
- Mental Health Counseling

Fatherhood Program

Academi c & Career Advising CPR &
First
Aid
Training

School-Age Childcare

Workforce Training

Zero to Three Parenting Class Stocked Kitchen Access

Private Lactation Room Licensed
Marriage
and Family
Therapist

Computer Lab with printing

Virtual Parent Cafe

Parenting Workshop s Free
Baby
Clothes,
Diapers,
and
Formula

Kid-

Friendly

Study

Lounge

with

Tutoring

Resource
Counseling
and
Community
Referrals

Financial Coaching with LIFT

A New Parent Scholar Cohort

When barriers for our students increased and access as we knew it decreased, we zoned in our efforts to our highest-need students.

Regular Distributions

With the FRC doors closed, we had to come up with other ways to get goods to studentparents.

Student-Parent Café

Students' struggles were higher while their access to peer support was lower than ever. We created a regular safe space for connection and support.

Children's Services

With schools and daycares closed and parents trying to study from home, we added activities just for kids.

Regular Check-in Calls

Closed doors= Less natural engagement. We implemented regular wellness calls as a part of our programming.

Easy Virtual Access Points

With office phones and in person entry no longer options, we found new quick and easy ways for students to get in touch.

*Other Changes include: Virtual Workshops, Digitized Surveying, Alternative Referral Processes, Virtual Counselling Sessions

Moving

from

In-Person

to Virtual

Educational Goals
Do you consider yourself a single parent? *
Yes
No No
Prefer not to say
Please list the names, ages, and relation of the people who live with you and your child(ren)? *
Who shares in the caregiving responsibilities of your child? *
Who is the most supportive person to you as a parent? *
I would like resources for and/or support with
Check all that apply
☐ Food Insecurity
Housing
Domestic Violence
Custody/Visitation
Academic Concerns
Stress Management
Family Management

Building Community Connections

External

Funding

Sources

Immigration

Supportive

Services

Employment Resources

Mental
Health
Treatment
Partners

Legal Resource s

Food Programs Housing Resource s

Financial Literacy Support Domestic Violence Resource s

Tenant Rights Orgs

Childcare Funding and Services

Health Insurance Programs

Impact





88%

FRC Student Parent Success

Student Parents who are enrolled with the FRC

78%

LAVC Student Parent Success

Student Parents at LAVC who do not use the FRC

73%

LAVC Student Success

All students overall (including/excluding parenting status)

*Success = Students who successfully complete their coursework for the given semester

Staffing

- Director
- Program Coordinator Previous Student Parent
- Licensed Marriage Family Therapist
- Social Worker/Resource Counselor
- Office Manager Previous Student Parent
- Student Worker Previous Intern

On Campus Connections – Advisory Board

- Tutoring
- Office of Institutional Effectiveness
- LAVC Student Services EOPS, CARE, CalWORKs, CDC, TRiO
- Financial Aid
- Academic Counseling
- Associated Student Union
- Business Office
- Career/Transfer Center
- Administrative champions
- Student Parents!
- WHO IS MISSING?

Lessons Learned

- Flexibility
- Location
- Importance of 2Gen
- Data collection
- Need for a social worker
- Maximizing enrollment through non-credit
- Bringing in fathers / family members
- Low hanging fruit: supplies i.e. diapers, wipes, food, etc.
- Social capital vs. monetary incentives
- Defining limits student need
- Staff/Student dual relationship boundaries
- Building trust better survey outcomes
- Some services work better virtually
- Incentives to increase connections
- Time, time, time!!! Be patient yet persistent!