

SANCTUARY MODEL

The Sanctuary Model is an innovative, evidence-based traumainformed organizational change model. It addresses the health and well-being of children in our care and our staff and volunteers. Hibiscus received Sanctuary Model recertification in 2023.

A DIVERSE TEAM OF EDUCATED YOUTH PROFESSIONALS

Every day, dedicated staff - along with caring volunteer and community support - are taking care of the most vulnerable children. Our residential staff are traumatrained and provide the nurturing, stability, guidance and love children desperately need. Our community outreach staff provide critical resources and tools to help children and families succeed. Clinicians who are certified in the Sexual Abuse Treatment Program receive specialized annual training and are certified through the Florida Department of Health. All agency staff have been trained in the Sanctuary Model.



OUR MISSION

To provide safe haven, mental health, preventative care and life skills for at-risk children and families.

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Indian River County Hibiscus Children's Village

1145 12th Street | Vero Beach, FL 32960 (Mailing: P.O. Box 1742, Vero Beach, FL 32961) (772) 299-6011

Martin County Tilton Family Children's Shelter

P.O. Box 1406 | Jensen Beach, FL 34958 (772) 334-9311

Hibiscus Treasure House

839 NW Federal Hwy. | Stuart, FL 34994 (772) 692-5730

St. Lucie County Community Outreach Services

1905 S. 25th Street | Suite 100 Fort Pierce, FL 34947 (772) 340-5750

Okeechobee County Community Mental Health Services

410 SE 2nd Avenue | Okeechobee, FL 34974 (772) 340-5750

HibiscusChildrensCenter.org







In 1985, Hibiscus Founder LaVaughn Tilton had a dream to protect children. Her hearts cry said, "What about the children?

Immediately, our generous community responded. Through LaVaughn's vision and dedication, and the community's generous support, Hibiscus opened its doors and has provided **450,000** nights of safety to abused, abandoned and neglected children in our residential facilities, the Shelter and Village.

For almost 40 years, Hibiscus Children's Center has provided safe haven for abused children along with mental health counseling and abuse prevention and intervention services across the Treasure Coast and Okeechobee County.

Thank you for YOUR support.

HIBISCUS CHILDREN'S

VILLAGE

90 youth served annually Group home program located in Vero Beach, opened in May 2004. The Village provides safe haven to abused youth ages 12-17 years in a safe and family-like environment. Teens receive educational, mental health, medical and dental services.

In addition, 90 youth participate annually in Career Pathways to Independence, a positive youth program that encourages academic achievement by developing life skills and job readiness training. Community and on-site internships are provided along with employment opportunities.

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Components of the Career Pathways Program that teach youth marketable skills and life skills that will help to provide a successful transition to adulthood. Youth are provided opportunities to intern on-site and community partners provide essential support.

TILTON FAMILY CHILDREN'S SHELTER

65 children served annually
Located in Jensen Beach and
opened in October 1989. The
Shelter serves up to 36 children
ages birth to 12 years old.
Children over 12 years can be
admitted if they are part of a
sibling group. The Shelter provides medical care, mental health
and educational services.
Children are encouraged to be
part of the community.

Our partnership with Justin' Times Stables provides **Equine Therapy.** This non-traditional therapy helps build self-esteem, confidence and trust.

SUPPORTING FAMILIES IN CRISIS (SFC)

Over 515 children & families served annually.

Child abuse prevention program for St. Lucie County families. Family Advocates work with the family to help alleviate a crisis and keep children out of the Child Welfare System.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Serving Children & Families on the Treasure Coast & Okeechobee

HIBISCUS CHILDREN'S CENTER

Over 550 children & families served annually.

Professional therapists provide mental health services to children in the Hibiscus Shelter and Village to help them recover from the trauma of abuse and begin the healing process. Outpatient Mental Health services are provided to children on the Treasure Coast and Okeechobee.

Hibiscus specializes in the treatment of trauma-based disorders, behavioral health and healing victims of sexual abuse.

Hibiscus has the only Department of Health sanctioned Sexual Abuse Treatment Program on the Treasure Coast & Okeechobee.

SFC has a 100% Success Rate of keeping children out of the Child Welfare System during services.



SAFECARE Over 495 children & families served annually.

Parenting education home visitation program for families in St. Lucie and Indian River counties.
SafeCare is an evidence-based training program and is a collaborative with Behavior Basics, Inc.

PARENTS AS TEACHERS 120 children & families served annually.

Provides parent education through in-home visits to Okeechobee families.