

Seraaj Family Homes, Inc.
Company Wide Outcome Data
Years from 1998- April 30, 2008

Seraaj Family Homes, Inc. (SFH) has a history of providing behavioral services to children and their families. The agency has developed intensive outpatient treatment programs and continues to manage therapeutic foster homes, home-based programs, and assessment homes. In the last several years, we have served the needs of more than one thousand seven hundred (1,700) children and families.

We offer effective, quality service delivery by well-trained, highly qualified professionals. Our staff and Professional Family Teachers/Therapeutic Foster Parents (PFT) harbor a wealth of experience and expertise that enables them to deal with difficult situations that could otherwise become barriers to safety and permanency.

Since 1998, SFH has provided several different programs in the state of Alabama. These programs include Crisis Stabilization, Medically Fragile, Mothers and Infant, Permanency Pilot, Therapeutic and Traditional Foster Care. Since 2005, SFH has provided programs in Washington DC which includes Developmentally Disabled, Medically Fragile, Mothers and Infant, Specialized and Traditional Foster Care.

We are creating positive outcomes for the PFTs as well as the children in our service areas every day. Our outcome data speaks for itself...

**PROFESSIONAL FAMILY TEACHER/
THERAUPEUTIC FOSTER PARENT
HOME DATA SUMMARY**

I. LICENSED HOMES BY MARITAL STATUS

- a. SFH has licensed 949 therapeutic homes.
 - i. 366 of these homes were married couples
 - ii. 583 homes were single

II. LICENSED HOMES BY LENGTH OF STAY

- a. 140 (15%) therapeutic homes have been with SFH for less than one year
- b. 452 (47%) therapeutic homes have been with SFH from 1-2 years
- c. 357 (38%) therapeutic homes have been with SFH more than 3 years

Note: 100% of our foster homes are licensed

CHILDREN DATA SUMMARY

I. TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN SERVED BY CODE

- a. SFH has admitted over 1868 children into care.
 - i. 1,377 (74%) were therapeutic
 - ii. 354 (19%) were enhance sibling groups/regular
 - iii. 137 (7%) children were admitted into the other programs provided by SFH as listed above.

II. TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN BY RACE

- a. SFH has admitted
 - i. 1,261 (67%) African American children
 - ii. 508 (27%) Caucasian
 - iii. 86 (5%) biracial
 - iv. 13 (1%) Hispanic

III. CHILDREN ADMISSION BY AGE

- a. SFH has admitted
 - i. 353 (19%) infants/toddlers (ages 0-6)
 - ii. 646 (35%) preadolescents (ages 7-12)
 - iii. 869 (46%) adolescents (ages 13 and up)

IV. CHILDREN AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY

- a. 1,155 (73%) of the children have stayed in care with SFH for less than one year
- b. 511 (20%) children have stayed in care one to two years
- c. 202 (7%) children have stayed in care for more two years

V. DISCHARGES OF CHILDREN BY CODE

- a. SFH has discharged over 698 children.
 - i. 85 of the children were adopted
 - 1. 76 were adopted by our current therapeutic foster parents
 - 2. 1 was adopted by a family member
 - 3. 8 was adopted by other unrelated individuals/family members
 - ii. 47 children were emancipated
 - iii. 49 of the children went to an independent living program
 - iv. 517 children were reunified with their family

TERMS

Adoption- A legal procedure that creates a parent-child relation between persons not related by blood; the adopted child is entitled to all privileges belonging to a natural child of the adoptive parents including the right to inherit.

Emancipation- When a child is released from custody of the Department of Human Resources. In Alabama, this is age 18 but the individual may remain in custody up to age 21.

Enhance sibling group- consists of 4 or more siblings

Independent Living Program: A child who is at least 16 years old, who has an approved type of living arrangement with a relative, friends, in a dorm or in his or her own apartment, with limited support and supervision of an adult.

Reunification- Leaving foster care to be reunited with family

Step Down- The process for decreasing the level of services in out of home care. After a child has been in placement for 6 months, an assessment of step down will be made to determine his/her treatment needs. It will be continually assessed after this time frame to determine when a child may be step down. In therapeutic foster care (TFC), step down refers to three categories of care within the TFC program i.e., standard TFC, step down TFC, and traditional foster care.