



# Social Services in Huntington Beach



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## Population<sup>1</sup>

- Huntington Beach is the 4<sup>th</sup> most populous city in Orange County: 197,752
- Ethnic breakdown: Asian 11.2%, Black 0.9%, Hispanic 19.3%, White 64.6%, Native American 0.4%, Other 3.7%.
- Huntington Beach has the 5<sup>th</sup> greatest youth (0-17yrs) population when compared to other OC cities: 39,155
- Median Family Income: \$98,162 ([Orange County: \$86,003])

## Social Services<sup>2</sup>

- Huntington Beach children receiving financial assistance through CalWORKs: 1184
- Representing 3.1% of the 38,505 child recipients county-wide (1/2016)

## Child Abuse and Neglect Report Details

- Number of children reported for abuse and neglect from Huntington Beach in 2016: 2,246
- Representing 4.61% of the 48,732 reports received county-wide
- The majority of the 2,246 reports came from mandated professions (86%); Counselor/Therapist (28%), School Personnel/Teachers (21%), Other Professionals combined (29%), Law Enforcement (14%), and SSA, Probation, other Government Agency (8%). Non-mandated but concerned parties (including relatives) made 319 reports, equal to 14% of the total.
- The 2,246 reported-allegations represent 1,531 distinct children in Huntington Beach, identified below by Gender & Age::

Gender	Male	Female	Unknown
Count	760	771	0
Percent	50%	50%	0%

Age	Under 1	1-5	6-12	13 & Up	Total
Count	91	322	626	492	1531
Percent	6%	21%	41%	32%	100%

- Characteristics of 30 Children brought into Protective Custody (PC)<sup>3</sup> from Huntington Beach between 1/1/2016 and 12/31/2016:

Reason-Abuse Allegation	Physical	Sexual	Emotional	Exploitation	General Neglect	Severe Neglect	Law Violation	Caretaker Absence/Incapacity	Total <sup>4</sup>
Count	1	0	0	0	22	3	0	4	30
Percent	3%	0%	0%	0%	73%	10%	0%	13%	100%

Gender	Male	Female	Unknown
Count	19	11	0
Percent	63%	37%	0%

Age	Under 1	1-5	6-12	13 & Up	Total
Count	10	4	11	5	30
Percent	33%	13%	37%	17%	100%

Ethnicity	Asian	Black	Latino	White	Native American	Other	Total
Count	0	2	5	23	0	0	30
Percent	0%	7%	17%	77%	0%	0%	100%

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

<sup>2</sup> Orange County Social Services Agency, 2016

<sup>3</sup> When the count is less than 3, the number '0' will be displayed to protect the identity

<sup>4</sup> A hierarchy is used to record the 'highest' reported allegation for children with multiple allegations.

■ Characteristics of 84 Children Placed in Out of Home Care in Huntington Beach as of 12/31/2016:

Placement Type	Group Home	Foster Family Agency Home	Foster Family / Small Family Home	Relative / Guardian	Resource Family Home	Total
Count	0	5	19	42	18	84
Percent	0%	6%	23%	50	21	100%

Gender	Male	Female	Unknown
Count	46	38	0
Percent	55%	45%	0%

Age	Under 1	1-5	6-12	13 & Up	Total
Count	15	27	22	20	84
Percent	18%	32%	26%	24%	100%

Ethnicity	Asian	Black	Latino	White	Native American	Other	Total
Count	12	2	17	52	1	0	84
Percent	14%	2%	20%	62%	1%	0%	100%

■ Children brought into PC and placed in Out of Home Care in the same City/Community:

Area	PC	Placed Back	Placements by PC (Removal) Area
Huntington Beach	30	5	17%
All Other OC Cities/Communities	919	321	35%

**Extended Foster Care (EFC) Program: Non-Minor Dependents**

The EFC Program, created by Assembly Bill 12 in January, 2012, allows foster youth to receive foster care benefits and services after age 18 and up to age 21. These young adults remain under the jurisdiction of the court and supervision of the county as they transition to independence.

■ There are 7 Non-Minor Dependents residing within the city of Huntington Beach as of 12/31/2016

**How can the Huntington Beach Community help to Preserve and Reunite their Children and Families?**

- Support community-based responses to protect children and preserve families
- Become a resource family and encourage others to do so (short or longer term foster care)
- Participate in team decision making meetings that bring together people to help children at risk
- Provide space for foster care orientation, training or family visitation
- Help with community mentoring for birth parents working towards reunification

**Interested in Getting More Involved with Children in Your Community?**

To find out more information about becoming a resource family, foster or adoptive parent: Call 1-888-871-kids (5437) or visit us at [www.oc4kids.com](http://www.oc4kids.com)

