Regional Support Groups for the Loss of a Child or Infant

Support groups led by people who understand what you are going through may help you recover from your loss and feel hopeful about your ability to rebuild your life. For national support groups, please refer to booklets in this packet.

Los Angeles/San Fernando Valley

Mattel Children’s Hospital UCLA Comforting Hearts Family Bereavement Group
(Abouts and children services for when a child dies)
(310) 825-0731
uclahealth.org/ccc

GriefHaven — Parent Grief Support Group
(Abouts and children services for when a child dies)
(310) 459-1789
griefHaven.org

Our House Grief Support Center — Variety of Support Groups
(310) 473-1511
ourhouse-grief.org

MISS Foundation — Parents Grief Support Group
(Abouts and children services for when a child dies)
(602) 279-6477 or (888) 455-MISS (6477)
la.missfoundation.org

Compassionate Friends
(Abouts and children services for when a child dies)
L.A. Chapter: (310) 474-3407
South L.A.: (323) 546-9755
Verdugo Hills: (818) 236-3635
Spanish-Speaking Group: (323) 606-8084
Woodland Hills: (888) 272-5708
San Gabriel Valley: (626) 919-7206
thecompasionatefriends.org

Hospice of the Conejo
(Variety of bereavement support groups, including Spanish speaking)
80 East Hillcrest Drive, Suite 204,
Thousand Oaks, CA 91360
(805) 495-2145

Little Angels of White Memorial Support Group
(Monthly support groups in both English and Spanish for miscarriage, stillbirth or infant loss)
White Memorial Medical Center, Adventist Health
1720 Cesar Chavez Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90033
(562) 682-9631

Los Angeles County Grief Healing Peer-Parent Support Group
(A monthly support group for parents who live with fetal and infant loss)
600 S. Commonwealth Ave., Suite 800,
Los Angeles, CA, 90005
Christina Thiele: (707) 849-5347
christina23thiele@gmail.com
Myia Slaughter: (323) 965-7053
myslaughter84@gmail.com

Sharing to Heal
Early Loss
Providence Tarzana Medical Center
(818) 609-2264
Orange County

Gary’s Place for Kids Support Groups
(Adults and children services)
Contact: Adele Canzano (949) 348-0548
gpkf.org

The Compassionate Friends
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
Contact: Roy Redman (714) 993-6708
Irvine Chapter (714) 504-7042
thecompassionatefriendsoc.com

Fairhaven Memorial Park & Mortuary
Contact: Carol Sexton or Ruth Velez (714) 633-1442
fairhavenflowers.com/library/grief_support

Crystal Cathedral Support Group
(Christian-based group in Orange County)
(714) 750-9237

Children’s Hospital of Orange County
Bereavement Support Groups
(For families who have lost a child, in Spanish and English)
(714) 509-8521

Long Beach/South Bay

Mattel Children’s Hospital UCLA Comforting Hearts Family Bereavement Group
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
(310) 825-0731
uclahealth.org/cccp

The Compassionate Friends:
South Bay/LA Chapter Support Groups
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
(310) 963-4646
info@tcfsbla.org
thecompassionatefriends.org

The Gathering Place — Support Groups
5315 Torrance Blvd. Suite B-1, Torrance, CA 90503
(310) 546-6407
Gathering.Place@providence.org

New Hope Grief Community in Long Beach — Support Groups
(Adults and children services)
(562) 429-0075 or (888) 490-HOPE
newhopegrief.org

Pathways Volunteer Hospice
3701 Michelson St., Lakewood, CA 90713
(562) 531-3031
pathwayshospice.org

Riverside/Inland Empire

The Compassionate Friends:
Inland Empire Chapter Support Groups
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
Contact: Kristan (951) 265-3820
tcf1114@gmail.com
thecompassionatefriends.org

Empty Cradle (Infant and pregnancy loss) — Support Groups
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
(619) 595-3887
support@emptycradle.org
emptycradle.org

San Diego North Inland Chapter of Bereaved Parents of the USA
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
Contact: Kathleen (619) 994-3010
bpsdni.bpchapter.org

Mourning Star — Variety of Supports and Groups
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
Locations in Victorville, Riverside, Murrieta and Banning
Contact: Pamela Gabbay (760) 773-6333
mourningstar.org
Bakersfield/Kern County

The Compassionate Friends:
TCF of Bakersfield Support Groups
(661) 836-5649 or (661) 398-8539
tcfobakersfield@yahoo.com
thecompassionatefriends.org

Optimal Hospice Care Grief Support Group
Kids Grief Connection
Bakersfield and other locations up to
San Francisco and down to Frazier Park
(661) 716-4000
optimalcares.com

Hoffmann Hospice — Variety of Grief Support
(Adults and children services)
Bakersfield (661) 410-1010
Lake Isabella (760) 379-4200
Hoffmannhospice.org

Lancaster/Antelope Valley

The Compassionate Friends:
TCF of Antelope Valley Support Groups
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
Lancaster (661) 839-2849
Santa Clarita (661) 252-4054
ouravangels@yahoo.com
thecompassionatefriends.org

Hoffmann Hospice — Variety of Grief Support
(Adults and children services)
Palmdale (661) 272-2355
hoffmannhospice.org

Antelope Valley Hospital —
Pregnancy and Infant Loss Group
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
(661) 726-6517

Pro Care Hospice — Support Groups
(Adults and children services)
Lancaster (661) 951-1146
Bakersfield (661) 864-0490

San Diego County

The Compassionate Friends:
San Diego County Chapter
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
(619) 583-1555 or (619) 248-8022
sdtcf.org
thecompassionatefriends.org

Empty Cradle — Infant Loss Group
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
(619) 595-3887
emptycradle.org

Families Helping Families — Variety of Supports
(619) 294-8000
jennadruckcenter.org

Camarillo/Oxnard

The Compassionate Friends of
Ventura County CA Chapter
Parent Grief Support Groups
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
Contact: Janice (805) 579-7065 / gjanderson@sbcglobal.net
or Lynn (805) 443-1905 / lgarrety@yahoo.com
thecompassionatefriends.org

Camarillo Hospice (Enduring Hearts Group) —
Parents’ Grief
(805) 389-6870
camarillohospice.org

Healing Hearts — Parent Grief Group
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
Contact: Debbie Morgan (805) 252-5922
100 Day Road in Ventura
Last Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm at
Ventura Tech High School Library
Santa Barbara

Hospice of Santa Barbara —
Variety of Support Groups
(Adults and children services)
(805) 563-8820
hospiceofsantabarbara.org

Visiting Nurse & Hospice Care
(Adults and children services)
(805) 965-5555 — Spanish support available
vnhsb.org/bereavement-support-counseling

The Compassionate Friends of Ventura County CA Chapter
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
Contact: Janice (805) 579-7065 / gjanderson@sbcglobal.net
or Lynn (805) 443-1905 / lgarrety@yahoo.com
thecompassionatefriends.org

Merced/Stanislaus County

Jessica’s House
(Adults and children services)
(209) 250-5395
jessicahouse@emanuelmed.org

Bereaved Parents Support Hospice of Emanuel
(209) 668-5283

Hanging Up Grief (HUG) — Ages 7-12
Community Hospice in Modesto
(209) 578-6378

Modesto

The Compassionate Friends
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
Contact: Rhonda (209) 622-6786
tcfmodesttoriverbank@gmail.com
thecompassionatefriends.org

MISS Foundation – Pregnancy and Infant Loss
(Adults and children services for when a child dies)
Contact: Kim Lotz (209) 725-9241

Educational materials and connection to other parents

Southern California Pregnancy and Infant Loss Center
(Provides information regarding grief and loss and referrals to support groups in various geographic areas)
Contact: Marcia Merry (909) 877-2777

Our House
(Support groups for children who have lost a sibling)
1663 Sawtelle Blvd., Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90025
(310) 473-1511
21860 Burbank Blvd., Suite 195, Woodland Hills, CA 91367
(818) 222-3344

More support resources

Internet resources:

Bereaved Parents of the USA
bereavedparentsusa.org

Griefnet.org
griefnet.org

Hand.org
hand.org

A Child in Grief
achildingrief.com

Camps for grief support:

Camp Erin
moyerfoundation.org

Comfort Zone Camp
comfortzoningcamp.org

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