



## **Crisis Nursery Fact Sheet**

### **Program Overview**

Crittenton Centers' Crisis Nursery provides child abuse prevention services for infants and young children ages birth – 6 years through emergency intervention and respite care, crisis counseling and supportive services to families experiencing extreme stress. Stressors can be related to domestic violence, parenting challenges, mental health issues and other circumstances that place children at risk. Because supportive services are provided in a safe, nurturing environment, parent stress levels are reduced, parenting skills increase, children are safe and family stability is improved.

All services that Crisis Nursery provides are free to parents residing in Peoria, Tazewell and Woodford counties and are offered 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Children can stay up to 72 hours depending on the situation. Parent education classes are offered at various sites throughout the community and give parents the opportunity to increase their parenting skills. Families are frequently referred to community agencies for additional supportive services that will meet the family's identified needs.

### **FY14 Program Outcomes**

- 100% of children are in a permanent, safe and nurturing environment.
- 100% of parents are able to maintain child safety by preventing child abuse and neglect.
- 99% of parents experienced crisis resolutions with the assistance of crisis nursery services.
- 586 unduplicated children and 492 adults were served in FY14 with 5,817 admissions. The Crisis Nursery provided 31,354 hours of crisis care and 2,662 hours of crisis counseling.

### **FY14 Program Funding**

Illinois Department of Human Services  
Illinois Department of Children and Family Services  
Illinois State Board of Education  
City of Peoria, Community Development Block Grant  
Heart of Illinois United Way  
Private Foundations and Donations  
Federal Emergency Management Agency

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