



# Harbor Interfaith Services

## Fact Sheet

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### ***Who Harbor Interfaith serves:***

HIS serves the homeless and working poor in the South Bay area. We offer a variety of services for all individuals; however, the housing programs are specifically for families.

### ***What Harbor Interfaith does:***

HIS provides emergency shelter, food, job placement, advocacy, transitional housing, childcare and support services to the homeless and working poor. We empower clients with the self-esteem necessary to build success and achieve self-sufficiency.

### ***When Harbor Interfaith was founded:***

The agency traces its roots back to 1975, when the Greater Peninsula San Pedro Council of Churches organized FISH to provide food to people in need. Over the years the agency expanded to provide shelter (1983), transitional housing (1997) and childcare (2003). In 2002 we changed our name to Harbor Interfaith Services to reflect the full menu of services offered to our clients.

### ***Why Harbor Interfaith is needed:***

To name a few reasons -

- Just in the South Bay area, over 20,000 households experience hunger or do not have enough money to purchase nutritious food.
- Los Angeles County recently counted 82,291 homeless people living on the streets – about 20,000 of those are families with children.
- An estimated 11,899 children in the greater Los Angeles area are trapped in the hopeless cycle of homelessness.

### ***Where Harbor Interfaith is located:***

HIS is located in San Pedro, CA. Our main administration office is located at 670 W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, between Gaffey and Grand. We currently have three other facilities. The Caulder Center (our childcare building) is located next door to the administration office. The emergency shelter and the HIS Kids club are located on 10<sup>th</sup> Street also between Gaffey and Grand. The Accelerated Learning and Living program (our transitional housing facility) is located a few blocks from the shelter.