

**First 5 Riverside County  
Champion for Children Award  
2025 Recipient**

**Nominee Profile: Angela Munoz**

Angela Munoz has consistently gone above and beyond to provide support and resources to families in need for over 30 years. In her current role as Director of Outreach and Education at the John F. Kennedy Memorial Foundation, a First 5 funded agency, she has been directly involved in providing and leading impactful programs to families, preventing child abuse and neglect, and promoting child safety and family well-being.

Ms. Munoz is active with a number of different organizations and agencies. She provides free parenting classes across Coachella Valley, including at the Juvenile Detention Center in Indio where she works with young parents navigating the challenges of raising children while incarcerated. She is a current Board member for HOPE Collaborative served previously as Chair. Her reach extends to additional agencies including

- Barbara Sinatra Children's Center
- Unified School Districts: Palm Springs, Desert Sands, and Coachella Valley
- Riverside University Health Systems
- Jewish Family Services
- IEHP Psychiatry Walk-in Clinic
- Latinos Commission
- Inland Regional Services
- Hope and Healing
- Counseling Offices: EHS, Marsell, Desert, and Oshita Counseling
- Find Food Bank
- Hospitals: JFK and Desert Regional Hospital

Additionally, Ms. Munoz has worked as a home visitor serving families with children under the age of five. She is trained in several evidence-based programs and assessments including

- Parents as Teachers
- SafeCare Certified Coach
- Growing Great Kids
- Healthy Families America
- Differential Response
- HealthySteps
- Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP)
- Reach Out and Read

- Home Safety Assessment Specialist
- Mental Health Biases
- Mandated Reporter
- Trauma Informed Care
- Comprehensive Case Management
- Adult Mental Health
- Perinatal Depressions
- Global Measure 1 and 2
- Parental Substance Use/Abuse
- Cultural Competency

Ms. Munoz's impact is measurable through the steady successes of the thousands of families served by her and her team, including the prevention of CPS involvement, the reduction of reoccurring cases, and the successful reunification of children with their parents. Her commitment to creating positive, lasting change makes her a true champion for children and families, and a role model for others.

**Sources:**

Champion for Children nomination submittal:

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