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**Organizational Profile**

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| Organization Information |

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| 5 Keyword Search Descriptors  *Tutoring, afterschool, STEM, college access, career exploration* | Birthworker, Doulas, Parenting classes, Child Passenger Safety Technicians (CPST), DoulaTraining |
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| Mission Statement |

*What’s the ‘missing” in your service area? How will you fill the gap? Who benefits?*

The missing piece in maternal and family support services in the Antelope Valley is equitable access to culturally competent, full-spectrum doula care. Many families, particularly Black and marginalized communities, face disparities in maternal and infant health, limited support for pregnancy loss, and a lack of resources for safe transportation and mobility.

How will Divine Birthing Services fill the gap?  
We will bridge this gap by offering:

* The Doula Program for Families, providing compassionate, culturally competent prenatal, birth, postpartum, and loss support.
* Abortion, Miscarriage & Death Doula Services, ensuring families receive emotional and physical care during difficult transitions.
* Senior Death Doula Services, guiding individuals and their families through end-of-life care with dignity.
* Ride & Thrive Car Seat Safety & Family Mobility Program, addressing transportation barriers with safety education, mentorship, and advocacy for safer streets.
* A Full-Spectrum Doula Mentorship Program, training and supporting birthworkers to expand access to quality care in the community.

Who benefits?

* Expecting and new parents seeking culturally competent birth and postpartum support.
* Families experiencing pregnancy loss or bereavement who need compassionate guidance.
* Black and marginalized families disproportionately affected by maternal health disparities.
* Families of all income levels needing education on car seat safety and transportation resources.
* Aspiring doulas and birthworkers who want to uplift their communities through mentorship and training.

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| History of Organization |

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| Year of Inception | 2020 |
| Year of Incorporation | 2020 |
| Origin Story  *How did the organization form?* | The organization was founded by a certified mother-daughter doula team with a shared passion for creating sacred, supported, and nourishing birthing experiences. Their mission is deeply rooted in uplifting and empowering families to thrive by focusing on divine birthing, parent education, and whole-family care. Inspired by the belief that joy, health, and wealth are every family’s divine birthright, they combined their skills, experiences, and dedication to create a space that honors the spiritual and practical aspects of birth.  Their work is also influenced by their connection to **Sun Village**, the first historic Black town in the Antelope Valley, where they grew up. This legacy of resilience and community inspired their vision to not only serve families but also foster growth and empowerment within their broader community. Through collaboration, education, and care, they brought their vision to life, forming Divine Birthing Services to meet a holistic need for families and future doulas alike. |
| Why was the organization founded?  *Was there an incident, a personal experience?* | Divine Birthing Services was born from deeply personal experiences and a shared passion for creating equitable, compassionate, and culturally attuned birthing care for families. The mother-daughter doula team, Yvette Perry and Jalisa, founded the organization after witnessing and experiencing firsthand the systemic disparities and challenges faced by Black birthing families.  For Yvette, the journey began long before she became a certified doula five years ago. Her passion for birthwork was ignited by her own difficult experiences—facing medical neglect during childbirth, the challenges of a premature birth, and the absence of breastfeeding support. These moments were pivotal, fueling her commitment to ensure that no other family would have to endure similar neglect or a lack of advocacy.  Jalisa's inspiration stemmed from her experiences as a pregnant service member in the military. While serving in the Coast Guard, she faced significant obstacles, including advocating for her own medical leave and taking the initiative to establish a lactation room at Coast Guard Sector Los Angeles/Long Beach in 2012. These challenges deepened her understanding of the urgent need for systemic change and the importance of fighting for the dignity and rights of birthing people.  Together, Yvette and Jalisa have poured their resilience, dedication, and expertise into founding Divine Birthing Services LLC. Their vision is rooted in their lived experiences and their unwavering belief that joy, health, and wealth are every family’s divine birthright. By combining Yvette's decades of maternal health advocacy and Jalisa's military tenacity and research experience, they’ve built an organization that uplifts and empowers families through evidence-based education, holistic care, and relentless advocacy.  Their commitment extends beyond the delivery room, as both actively work within the African American Infant and Maternal Mortality (AAIMM) Prevention Initiative and other community programs to address systemic disparities and improve outcomes for Black families. Divine Birthing Services stands as a testament to their shared mission: to create a world where all families have access to the respect, care, and resources they need to thrive. |
| What has been the organization’s largest program challenge?  *Not funding. It should be something tangible* | The largest program challenge for Divine Birthing Services has been navigating systemic barriers within healthcare systems that often undervalue culturally attuned birth support—all while the founders work full-time jobs. Yvette Perry serves as a transportation worker with DCFS, and Jalisa works as an independent contractor with Project Joy. Despite their demanding schedules, they remain deeply committed to their community, providing free doula services to families in need.  Balancing their full-time roles with the demands of building their organization has made it difficult to expand outreach and overcome logistical hurdles, such as establishing consistent access to lactation support spaces, car seat safety education, and doula training opportunities. However, their passion and unwavering dedication have driven them to strengthen partnerships, educate families, and provide care that redefines what it means to thrive. |
| How has the organization overcome that challenge?  *The answer should demonstrate your ability resolve a problem.* | Divine Birthing Services has overcome these challenges through strategic collaboration, resourcefulness, and an unwavering commitment to their mission. Despite working full-time jobs—Yvette as a transportation worker with DCFS and Jalisa as an independent contractor with Project Joy—they’ve prioritized building strong partnerships with local hospitals, nonprofits, and community leaders to expand their reach and impact.  They’ve leveraged their roles within initiatives like the African American Infant and Maternal Mortality (AAIMM) Prevention Initiative to advocate for equitable resources and create new opportunities for families. By hosting community workshops, car seat safety classes, and offering free doula services, they’ve established themselves as trusted advocates. Additionally, they’ve implemented efficient time management strategies to balance their professional, personal, and community responsibilities, ensuring no family is left unsupported.  This resilience and problem-solving mindset have allowed Divine Birthing Services to thrive, proving that passion and purpose can break through even the most complex systemic barriers. |
| What is the organization’s greatest accomplishment since its inception?  *Since 2020, the organization has partnered with 25 LAUSD school districts to graduate 100% of its participants (30,000 African American males), provided over $9 million in college scholarships, placed over 3,750 youth in internships and assisted 5,571 with landing entry level professional and paraprofessional jobs.* | Since its inception, Divine Birthing Services has been a pillar of support for birthing families in the Antelope Valley, ensuring equitable access to compassionate, culturally competent care. The organization has:   * Served over 20 families with doula support, providing education, advocacy, and emotional care throughout pregnancy, birth, and postpartum. * Expanded services to include abortion, miscarriage, and death doula support, ensuring individuals and families receive compassionate care during life’s most profound transitions. * Developed the Ride & Thrive Car Seat Safety & Family Mobility Program, equipping over 10 parents with essential knowledge on car seat safety and transportation equity. * Facilitated over 10 parenting cohorts, providing ongoing education and community support to families. * Provided financial workshops to over 100 families, empowering them with tools for economic stability and financial literacy. * Partnered with nonprofits for over four years, including Project Joy, where more than 300 parents have received baby essentials and participated in parenting workshops and virtual meetups. * Played a key role in planning and contributing to the annual Community Baby Shower, which has served over 100 families in partnership with 10+ community organizations. * Assisted in planning and supporting the WOW Flower Project for the Black Maternal Health Expo for three consecutive years, reaching over 500 families with vital maternal health resources. * Achieved certifications as doulas and Certified Lactation Education Specialists, enhancing access to culturally competent maternal care. * Worked with AAIMM (African American Infant and Maternal Mortality Initiative) for the past four years, serving as co-leads for workgroups focused on improving Black maternal and infant health outcomes.   Through these initiatives, Divine Birthing Services continues to transform maternal and infant health outcomes, affirming that joy, health, and wealth are divine birthrights. |

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| Constituent Demographics |

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| Target Population  *Gender, age, socioeconomic status: infants 0- 4, youth 5-13, Females ages 14-18. Young adults 19-24 from underserved, urban communities. Adults with disabilities ages 25- 55 in the San Fernando Valley. Seniors 55+, afflicted with dementia or Alzheimer’s* | *Our target population includes individuals and families across a range of ages and stages of life, with a primary focus on:*   * *Infants (0-4 years): Ensuring they receive a healthy start in life with access to nurturing care and resources.* * *Youth (5-13 years): Supporting the children of birthing families by fostering healthy family dynamics and access to community resources.* * *Females (14-18 years): Providing mentorship and education to young women, particularly those at risk of or experiencing early pregnancies, to empower them with knowledge and support.* * *Young Men (14-18 years): Offering mentorship and education to young men, encouraging them to be active, supportive, and informed participants in family and community life.* * *Young Adults (19-24 years): Serving young parents, aspiring birthworkers, and young men seeking to grow into nurturing, supportive family members while building strong foundations for their futures.* * *Adults (25-55 years): Empowering parents, caregivers, and birthworkers from diverse socioeconomic backgrounds with training, resources, and opportunities for professional and personal growth.* * *Seniors (55+): Supporting families navigating end-of-life care by providing compassionate death doula services that offer guidance, emotional support, and a sacred space for honoring life transitions.* |
| Number of Clients Served  *Include the timeframe, monthly, quarterly, annually. e.g., 100 youth per month* | 10 annually |
| Geographical Service Area(s)  *Country. Community, City, State, i.e., The West Athens Community of South L.A.* | Antelope Valley, Los Angeles County |
| Describe the Gap Your Organization Will Fill  *List resources, training, education, opportunities, role models, alternatives, access, etc.* | Despite growing awareness of maternal and infant health disparities, many families—particularly Black families in the Antelope Valley—continue to face systemic barriers to equitable, culturally competent care. Divine Birthing Services is dedicated to filling these gaps by providing:  1. Culturally Competent & Compassionate Maternal Care   * Doula Services: Personalized prenatal, birth, and postpartum support to ensure birthing individuals feel empowered, informed, and supported. * Abortion, Miscarriage & Death Doula Support: Culturally sensitive care for families navigating pregnancy loss, termination, or bereavement. * Lactation Support: Certified lactation education to address disparities in breastfeeding initiation and continuation rates.   2. Education & Training for Families   * Parenting Classes: Providing education on newborn care, postpartum wellness, and child development. * Financial Literacy Workshops: Training over 100 families on budgeting, financial planning, and economic stability to support long-term success. * Ride & Thrive Car Seat Safety & Family Mobility Program: Equipping parents with life-saving car seat safety knowledge and advocating for transportation equity.   3. Career Development & Workforce Training for Birth Workers   * Doula & Birthwork Training: Creating pathways for individuals to become certified doulas and lactation educators, increasing the number of Black birth workers in the community. * Mentorship & Leadership Development: Providing opportunities for birth workers to grow in their field, ensuring sustainability and generational impact.   4. Community Support & Resource Access   * Annual Community Baby Shower: Serving families annually with baby essentials, parenting resources, and connections to local organizations. * Collaboration with Nonprofits: Long-term partnerships with organizations like AAIMM, The Alliance, YWAP, Project Joy, WOW Flower Project * AAIMM Leadership: As co-leads in AAIMM workgroups for four years, we advocate for policy changes and systemic improvements to reduce Black maternal and infant mortality. * Black Maternal Health Expo: Partnering with the WOW Flower Project for three years to provide education, advocacy, and healthcare resources to over 1,000 families.   5. Increasing Representation & Role Models   * Black Birth Workers & Community Leaders: Increasing the presence of Black doulas, lactation specialists, and maternal health advocates to provide culturally relevant care. * Advocacy & Policy Engagement: Addressing maternal health disparities by pushing for systemic changes that prioritize the needs of Black families.   By filling these critical gaps, Divine Birthing Services ensures that joy, health, and wealth remain divine birthrights for every family in the Antelope Valley. |
| Describe the Innovation in How Your Organization Fills the Gap  *Math tutoring by African American Alumnae Engineers, On-the-job training with industry professionals, Homework assistance via app.* | Our Innovative Approach to Filling the Gap  At Divine Birthing Services, we are revolutionizing maternal and infant health in the Antelope Valley by providing holistic, culturally competent care that goes beyond traditional maternity support. Our innovative programs ensure that birthing individuals, families, and birth workers receive the education, resources, and advocacy they need to thrive.  1. Full-Spectrum Doula Support & Training  Comprehensive, In-Person Doula Training – Unlike virtual-only programs, we provide hands-on, community-based doula training, ensuring our birth workers are fully prepared to support families with confidence and compassion. Abortion, Miscarriage & Death Doula Services – We are among the few organizations offering specialized bereavement and loss doula care, providing emotional and practical support for families navigating life’s most profound transitions. Mentorship for Aspiring Birth Workers – Through our 10-12 month mentorship program, we cultivate a strong network of culturally competent doulas, equipping them with the skills to transform maternal health outcomes.  2. Innovative Parenting & Family Support Programs  Parenting Cohorts with Real-Life Guidance – We have facilitated over 10 parenting cohorts, where families receive hands-on support from experienced birth workers, lactation specialists, and child development experts.  Ride & Thrive Car Seat Safety & Family Mobility Program – Our 6-12 week Safe Start program and 6-month Mobility Mentors initiative go beyond standard safety training by addressing transportation equity, financial literacy, and community advocacy. Financial Literacy for Birth Workers & Parents – We integrate financial workshops into our programs, empowering over 100 families with financial planning, budgeting, and economic stability tools.  3. Transformative Community & Policy Engagement  Annual Community Baby Shower & Family Resource Fair – We co-host one of the largest baby showers in the Antelope Valley, providing over 500 families with baby essentials, maternal health education, and direct connections to resources. Collaboration with Local Nonprofits & Healthcare Leaders – Our long-standing partnerships, such as our four-year collaboration with Project Joy, ensure that families have continuous access to wraparound support services. AAIMM Leadership & Policy Advocacy – As co-leads in AAIMM workgroups for four years, we advocate for systemic change, ensuring policies reflect the needs of Black families in our community.  4. Increasing Representation & Black Maternal Health Advocacy  Black Birth Workers, Leading the Way – By training and mentoring Black doulas, lactation consultants, and maternal health advocates, we are actively increasing representation in the birth space and improving culturally relevant care. Culturally-Centered Maternal Health Education – We create community-based learning experiences tailored to Black families, ensuring our programs reflect their lived experiences and unique needs. Expanding Access to Holistic Perinatal & Postpartum Care – From lactation support to trauma-informed care, we integrate ancestral wisdom, modern research, and holistic health practices into everything we do.  By breaking barriers, creating new pathways, and leading with innovation, Divine Birthing Services is reshaping maternal and infant health outcomes—because joy, health, and wealth are our divine birthrights. |

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| Program One Description: |

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| **Program Title**  *Sexy Title i.e.,* *From Boys2Men Rites of Passage* | **Divine Birthing Services: Family & Full-Spectrum Doula Care Program** |
| **Services Provided**  *Youth development*  *College Readiness*  *Career Exploration*  *Relationship Counseling*  *Parenting Classes* | Prenatal Doula Support (From Confirmation to Birth)  Personalized birth planning & pregnancy education Emotional & mental health support (stress relief, affirmations, trauma-informed care) Nutrition & holistic wellness coaching (herbal remedies, self-care techniques)  Medical advocacy – Ensuring culturally competent & respectful provider care  Birth Doula Support (During Labor & Delivery)  Comfort measures & pain management (breathing, movement, massage)  Continuous emotional and advocacy support during birth (home, birth center, or hospital)  Hospital navigation & advocacy – Ensuring informed consent & respectful care Option for birth photography & keepsakes to celebrate the journey  Postpartum Doula Support (6 Weeks – 3 Months After Birth)  Breastfeeding & lactation support (latch assistance, pumping guidance)  Overnight doula care (helping parents rest & recover) Postpartum healing & self-care (physical & emotional recovery)  Newborn care education (bonding, soothing techniques, infant development)  Loss & Bereavement Doula Services  Abortion Doula Support – Holding space for emotional processing, physical recovery, and aftercare resources Miscarriage & Stillbirth Support – Providing grief care, ritual support, and healing practices Death & Bereavement Doula Care – Supporting families navigating infant loss with love, dignity, and remembrance  End-of-Life Doula Services  Guidance & Emotional Support – Helping individuals and families prepare for end-of-life transitions |
| **Measurable Goals**  *What will you do to make the change? i.e., increase, decrease, reduce, eliminate, cure.* | Increase and reduce |
| **By How Much (Impact)**  *% - make the goal attainable. Usually 10-25%* | Increase access to culturally competent doula care for Black families in the Antelope Valley by 20% in the first year.  Reduce maternal stress and birth-related trauma through personalized doula support, with at least 75% of participants reporting improved emotional well-being.  Expand postpartum support by ensuring at least 60% of birthing parents receive continued care for at least six weeks postpartum.  Provide bereavement and loss support to 100% of families experiencing miscarriage, stillbirth, or pregnancy loss within 72 hours of contact.  Increase awareness of end-of-life doula services by hosting quarterly community education workshops, reaching at least 150 families annually. |
| **Program Objectives**  *How will your org accomplish the goal? By hosting three interviewing techniques workshops per week* | * By hosting three doula education and support workshops per quarter, covering topics such as birth planning, postpartum recovery, and loss support. * Conducting monthly grief and bereavement support groups for families experiencing pregnancy loss or end-of-life transitions. * Offering quarterly community education events on birth equity, Black maternal health, and end-of-life care. * Developing partnerships with hospitals, clinics, and community organizations to enhance access to doula care. * Implementing a sliding scale and grant-based financial assistance program to support families in need.   Doula workshops: 3 times quarterly   * Grief and bereavement support groups: Once per month * Community education sessions: Quarterly * Each session: 1.5 to 2 hours * Postpartum support: 6 weeks – 3 months per client * Full program duration: Ongoing |
| **How often are your programs offered?**  *e.g. 3 times a week, 4 times a month, once a quarter, twice a year* | Once every 2 months as well as once a quarter. |
| **How long will your programs run?**  *e.g., 1 hour, 2 hours, 4 hours*  *for 12 weeks, 6 months, 1 year* | 1 year of service |
| **Program Description**  ***Boys2Men Rites of Passage*** *is a male youth development program for young African American men ages, 12-24 from the Watts, Compton, West Athens communities of South Los Angeles. Youth are partnered with professional African American men, ages 25-65 who model positive characteristics, decision-making, healthy relationships and career choices. Participants attend a two-hour workshop every Saturday for 12 weeks, covering topics from peer pressure to goal setting, college, and career exploration, to healthy relationships. The goal of the Boy2Men Rites of passage program is to reduce the school-to-prison pipeline by 25% from these underserved, overrepresented communities by 2025.* | The Divine Birthing Services Family & Full-Spectrum Doula Care Program provides compassionate, culturally competent support to families in the Antelope Valley throughout pregnancy, birth, postpartum recovery, pregnancy loss, and end-of-life transitions. This program is designed to address disparities in Black maternal and infant health, offering accessible doula care, grief support, and community education to ensure every family receives the care they deserve.  Through **weekly educational workshops, personalized doula care, and community outreach**, our program empowers families to navigate their birthing and life experiences with confidence, dignity, and support. Whether welcoming new life, healing from loss, or preparing for end-of-life transitions, we are committed to providing holistic, affirming, and trauma-informed care at every stage. |

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| Program Two Description: |
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| **Program Title**  *Sexy Title i.e.,* *From Boys2Men Rites of Passage* | Ride & Thrive: A Holistic Car Seat Safety & Family Mobility Program |
| **Services Provided**  *Youth development*  *College Readiness*  *Career Exploration*  *Relationship Counseling*  *Parenting Classes* | Car Seat Safety Education  Transportation Equity & Advocacy  Financial Literacy for Vehicle Ownership  Safe Walking, Biking & Public Transit Navigation  Community Leadership Development |
| **Measurable Goals**  *What will you do to make the change? i.e., increase, decrease, reduce, eliminate, cure.* | Increase, reduce and train |
| **By How Much (Impact)**  *% - make the goal attainable. Usually 10-25%* | Increase car seat safety knowledge among parents and caregivers Reduce car seat misuse rates by **20%** in participating families Improve family financial literacy for vehicle ownership and maintenance by **15%** Train and certify at least **10-15 Mobility Mentors** per year to advocate for |
| **Program Objectives**  *How will your org accomplish the goal? By hosting three interviewing techniques workshops per week* | **Quarterly workshops** on car seat safety, financial literacy, and transportation navigation  **By providing hands-on installation support** with certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians (CPSTs) **By developing Mobility Mentors** who will advocate for transportation safety and accessibility in their communities |
| **How often are your programs offered?**  *e.g. 3 times a week, 4 times a month, once a quarter, twice a year* | Once a quarter |
| **How long will your programs run?**  *e.g., 1 hour, 2 hours, 4 hours*  *for 12 weeks, 6 months, 1 year* | 2-hour workshops once a quarter |
| **Program Description**  ***Boys2Men Rites of Passage*** *is a male youth development program for young African American men ages, 12-24 from the Watts, Compton, West Athens communities of South Los Angeles. Youth are partnered with professional African American men, ages 25-65 who model positive characteristics, decision-making, healthy relationships and career choices. Participants attend a two-hour workshop every Saturday for 12 weeks, covering topics from peer pressure to goal setting, college, and career exploration, to healthy relationships. The goal of the Boy2Men Rites of passage program is to reduce the school-to-prison pipeline by 25% from these underserved, overrepresented communities by 2025.* | Ride & Thrive is a transformative program that goes beyond car seat safety to equip families with the knowledge, skills, and resources needed for safe, sustainable, and financially secure transportation.  Safe Start Program: Parents and caregivers gain hands-on car seat training, financial literacy for vehicle ownership, and safe navigation of public transit, biking, and walking with kids. Mobility Mentors Program: Community members receive advanced training in child passenger safety, car ownership, and advocacy, preparing them to lead workshops and push for safer roads and transportation policies. |

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| Program Three Description: |

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| **Program Title**  *Sexy Title i.e.,* *From Boys2Men Rites of Passage* | Divine Birthing Services From Womb to Legacy: Full-Spectrum Doula Fellowship |
| **Services Provided**  *Youth development*  *College Readiness*  *Career Exploration*  *Relationship Counseling*  *Parenting Classes* | Doula Training & Mentorship – Hands-on apprenticeship and professional development  Birth & Postpartum Support – Training doulas to provide care during pregnancy, birth, and postpartum recovery  Business & Leadership Development – Helping doulas build sustainable careers in birthwork Healthcare Advocacy & Racial Equity Training – Equipping doulas to address disparities in Black maternal and infant health |
| **Measurable Goals**  *What will you do to make the change? i.e., increase, decrease, reduce, eliminate, cure.* | Increase, reduce and mentor |
| **By How Much (Impact)**  *% - make the goal attainable. Usually 10-25%* | Increase the number of trained and certified Black full-spectrum doulas in the Antelope Valley Expand access to culturally competent doula care by at least 25% within the first year  Reduce barriers to birthwork education by offering sliding-scale tuition & scholarships Support at least 50 families per year through direct doula care from fellowship graduates Mentor a minimum of 20 emerging doulas annually through structured training and hands-on experience |
| **Program Objectives**  *How will your org accomplish the goal? By hosting three interviewing techniques workshops per week* | Providing a 6-month to 1-year structured mentorship and training program that includes immersive learning, hands-on apprenticeship, and professional development.  Training Workshops: 2 times per week  Mentorship Circles: Monthly  Apprenticeship & Hands-on Doula Experience: Ongoing throughout the program  Community Outreach & Client Support: Monthly  6 months to 1 year depending on specialization track Workshops: 2-3 hours per session Apprenticeship & Client Support: Case-by-case, averaging 10-15 hours per month |
| **How often are your programs offered?**  *e.g. 3 times a week, 4 times a month, once a quarter, twice a year* | The From Womb to Legacy: Full-Spectrum Doula Fellowship will be offered twice a year, with two cohorts:  Spring Cohort – March to September (6-month track) or March to February (1-year track) Fall Cohort – September to March (6-month track) or September to August (1-year track) |
| **How long will your programs run?**  *e.g., 1 hour, 2 hours, 4 hours*  *for 12 weeks, 6 months, 1 year* | 6 months to 1 year |
| **Program Description**  ***Boys2Men Rites of Passage*** *is a male youth development program for young African American men ages, 12-24 from the Watts, Compton, West Athens communities of South Los Angeles. Youth are partnered with professional African American men, ages 25-65 who model positive characteristics, decision-making, healthy relationships and career choices. Participants attend a two-hour workshop every Saturday for 12 weeks, covering topics from peer pressure to goal setting, college, and career exploration, to healthy relationships. The goal of the Boy2Men Rites of passage program is to reduce the school-to-prison pipeline by 25% from these underserved, overrepresented communities by 2025.* | The From Womb to Legacy: Full-Spectrum Doula Fellowship is an innovative mentorship and training program designed to empower, educate, and equip birthworkers with the tools needed to provide comprehensive, culturally competent care. This 6-month to 1-year fellowship offers aspiring and experienced doulas a transformational journey through birthwork, reproductive justice, and end-of-life care.  This program is a direct response to the Black maternal health crisis and the lack of culturally competent doulas in the Antelope Valley. Fellows receive hands-on training, mentorship from seasoned doulas, and business development support to create sustainable careers in birthwork.  The fellowship covers prenatal, birth, postpartum, abortion, miscarriage, infant loss, and end-of-life doula services to ensure doulas can support families through every stage of life. |

***Sample Organizational History***

Divine Birthing Services was founded in 2020 by Yvette Perry and Jalisa Burton, a mother-daughter doula team in the Antelope Valley, after their own birthing experiences revealed the urgent need for culturally competent, compassionate care for Black families. They saw firsthand how Black women were disproportionately affected by medical neglect, lack of advocacy, and systemic barriers, inspiring them to create a safe, supportive space for birthing individuals and families.

In 2020, Divine Birthing Services became an LLC, providing professional doula care and maternal health services. As demand grew, the organization expanded beyond birth work to offer abortion, miscarriage, and death doula services, ensuring that families received full-spectrum, compassionate support through all pregnancy outcomes.

In 2025, Divine Birthing Services will launch The Ride & Thrive Car Seat Safety & Family Mobility Program, addressing transportation safety, financial literacy, and mobility equity for parents. The organization also deepened its community engagement efforts, co-hosting the annual Community Baby Shower, which serves over 100 families with essential resources.

Since 2020, Divine Birthing Services has:

* Facilitated over 10 parenting cohorts, providing education and peer support to new and expecting parents.
* Delivered financial literacy workshops to over 100 families, helping them build economic stability.
* Mentored younger moms in the Mommy Mentor Network
* Partnered with organizations like Project Joy and AAIMM, co-leading maternal health work groups and expanding direct support services.

Today, Divine Birthing Services continues to bridge the gap in Black maternal and infant health, ensuring every family receives the culturally competent, compassionate care they deserve. By integrating education, advocacy, and direct support, the organization is reshaping birth experiences and outcomes—because joy, health, and wealth are our divine birthrights.