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Happy Hearts Children's Center is a childcare facility founded in 1996 by owners Holly and Joseph Oliveira. From a young age, Mrs. Oliveira wanted to be a preschool teacher thanks to the positive experiences she had with her own kindergarten teacher. In high school, Mrs. Oliveira began her training to gain experience working with children. She obtained a degree in Child Development and Liberal Studies from Ohlone College in Fremont, CA.

When the Oliveira Family moved to Porterville in 1992, Mrs. Oliveira was ready to make her dream of owning a childcare facility a reality and began her home-based daycare in 1996. Due to the success of the business, in December of 2001, Happy Hearts Children's Center expanded into the 111 N. Villa St. location, where it continues to operate today.

Happy Hearts Children's Center provides childcare programs for children up to age 6, focusing on the sound principles of child development. Mrs. Oliveira and her team are committed to enhancing each child's potential through a curriculum focused on their physical, social, emotional and intellectual growth. The center exudes warmth and happiness as staff interact with families.

"Parents put their trust in us," says Mrs. Oliveira. "I want them all to have a positive first experience, especially at such a young age."

Following the loss of Mr. Oliveira in 2014, Mrs. Oliveira's children, Samantha and Kyle, have helped out with the family business. Kyle, currently part of the team, offers a caring and relatable perspective to children dealing with the loss of a loved one.

Happy Hearts employs 21 individuals with a current enrollment of 100 children. Since launching her home-based daycare facility, Mrs. Oliveira estimates caring for more than 3,000 local children, many of whom stay in touch as adults and bring their children to the center.

Children at Happy Hearts receive compassionate, high-quality care, a high priority for Mrs. Oliveira. The center benefits many working parents in our community, reassuring them that their children are being cared for while they work.

Happy Hearts Children's Center is helping to prepare the next generation of childcare professionals and contributes to local workforce development and job creation. For more than 20 years, the center has provided work experience opportunities to local high school students from Porterville Unified School District (PUSD), where more than 30 students were assigned to the center annually. Happy Hearts also provides community service opportunities to Burton School District (BSD) students each year. Students assigned to the center get an introduction to the childcare profession and improve their customer service skills. Currently, 17 of 21 employees got their start at Porterville College (PC), as Happy Hearts hires graduates of Porterville College's Early Childhood Education program.

The future of Happy Hearts Children's Center looks bright. The need for services is evident as the center's waitlist continues to grow. Mrs. Oliveira attributes the business's success to her team's commitment to providing nothing but the best care to children. With more than 30 years of experience in childcare, Mrs. Oliveira feels energized to continue caring for local children.

Please join us in congratulating Happy Hearts Children's Center on receiving the Outstanding Business Award. We thank this local, family-owned and operated business for its dedication to caring for some of our community's youngest residents and for being part of the Porterville business community for 27 years.



Porterville Mayor Martha A. Flores visited Holly Oliveira (right) to help celebrate her Outstanding Business Recognition.

Community Info

Spring 2023



Read online at www.ChoosePorterville.com.
Español: Escanee con su teléfono para leer la versión en español.



Upcoming Events

APRIL



Easter Egg Hunt

Friday, April 7 at Veterans Park

Thousands of eggs filled with toys, candy and special prizes will be up for grabs at the annual Spring Egg Hunt!

Pre-Sale: \$2 (Day Of: \$3)

For more info, call (559) 791-7695.

JUNE



Summer Night Lights

June 2, 9, 16, 23 at Porterville City Pool

This event features free summer fun including food, games, movies, music and more sponsored by the Tulare County Board of Supervisors as part of their Step Up program. **For more info, call (559) 791-7695.**

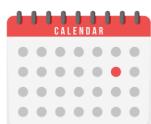
JULY



Freedom Fest Fireworks

July 1 at Porterville Sports Complex

Enjoy an array of local vendor booths, musical entertainment, special performances, a spectacular fireworks show and more! **For tickets or more information, please call (559) 791-7695.**



The 2023 Parks & Leisure Services Events Calendar is available online by visiting www.ci.porterville.ca.us.

MANDATORY WATERING SCHEDULE (ODD/EVEN ADDRESSES)

Effective as of October 1, 2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	DO NOT WATER	OK TO WATER	OK TO WATER
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The watering schedule is subject to change mid-year. To find the latest watering schedule information, please visit www.ci.porterville.ca.us.

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Questions? Please email EcDev@ci.porterville.ca.us.

Porterville Library

There are plenty of spring and year-round events at the Porterville Library!

50 W. Olive Ave., Suite B

Monday – Thursday (9 a.m. – 8 p.m.)

Friday – Saturday (9 a.m. – 6 p.m.)

Sunday (12 p.m. – 5 p.m.)

Follow online for more information:

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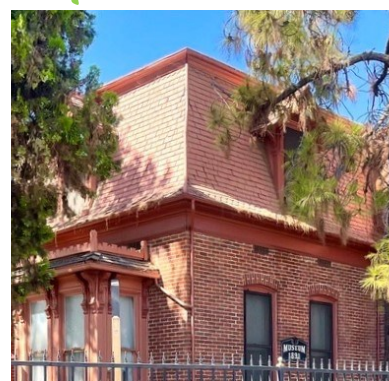
Porterville Fun Facts

The Zalud House was built in 1891 by John Zalud, a local businessman and still features original furnishings from that era. Next time you're in the area, take a closer look at this historic building!

Zalud House Museum

393 N. Hockett St.

Porterville, CA 93257



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