Supervised Visitation/Safe Exchange Program

What is Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange?

Supervised visitation refers to contact between a non-custodial parent and one or more children in the presence of a third party who is responsible for observing the visit and ensuring the safety of those involved.

Safe exchanges are supervised transfers of the child(ren) from one parent to the other. Supervision is limited to the exchange and there is no contact between the two parties who are transferring the child(ren).

Who may need visitation or exchange services?
Families with a history of domestic violence.

When there is a history of domestic violence, other issues may also be present. Some of those issues are when:

- There is an Order of Protection in place between the parties,
- There is a threat of parental abduction,
- Allegations of child abuse or neglect have been made,
- The safety of the victim and children is at risk,
- One parent harasses the other during exchanges.

Who may refer to the visitation center?
Family Courts/Court Services/Parents/Mediation Services/Self-Referral/Social Services/Attorneys/Other Agencies

When parents separate and children are involved, the children may feel confusion and stress.

The mission of La Paloma Center is to provide services that facilitate safe visitation for children and families impacted by domestic violence in a respectful environment supported by the community.

The staff at La Paloma have the safety of adult and child victims as their main priority. La Paloma is committed to ensuring that the policies and procedures reflect the need for safety for victims.

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