

WHO ARE WE?

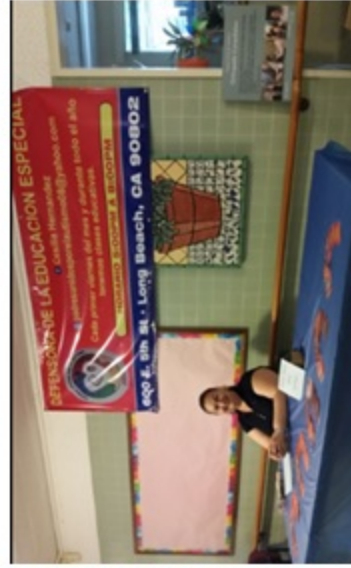
PUPA was established in 2008 by Cesilia Ortiz because of the necessity to help her son with Severe Autism, and other families.

PUPA is a group of Hispanic parents led by Cesilia Ortiz in order to give support services, training, and knowledge & education to Hispanic families with children with special needs.



WHO DO WE SERVE?

Parents United for Autism offers families of children with special needs a variety of services like: information, advice, means, training and support groups where parents can find emotional support, share information and get connected to other families with similar diagnoses. We also have a group of parent mentors.



HOW WAS PUPA BORN?

Our founder and director **Cesilia Ortiz** has a son with severe autism. She looked for support groups like TACA and Fiesta Educativa. Seeing the necessity to have a group in her city (Long Beach), she decided to create a group **Parents United for Autism PUPA** in 2008.

The meetings were for 8 years at Memorial Miller Children's Hospital. **Cesilia Ortiz** is an **ADVOCATE** for special education who dedicates her time to train Hispanic families achieve the quality services that their children require either from school districts, Regional Centers, and other agencies.

