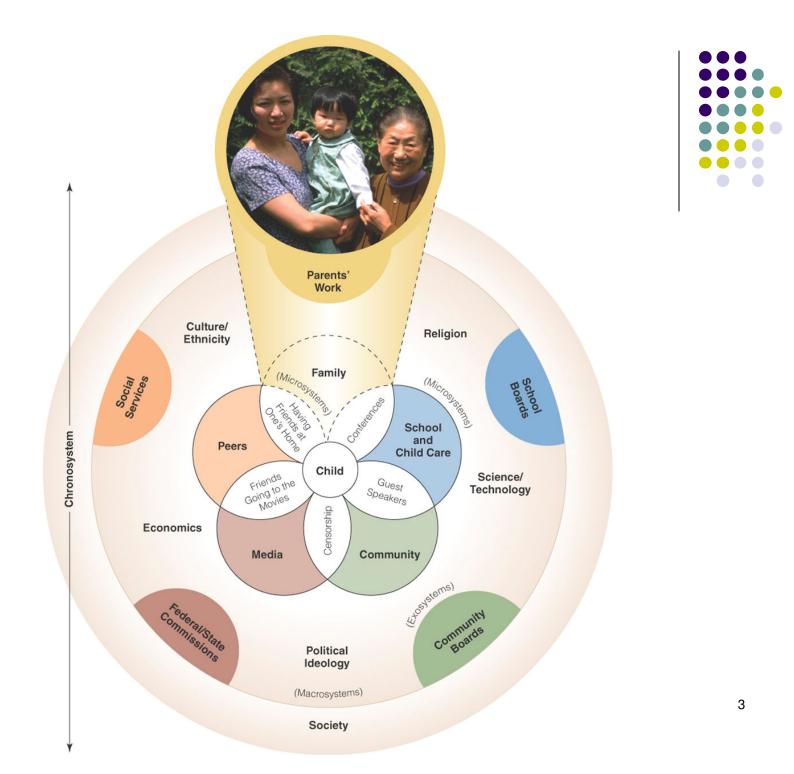
# Ecology of the Family

"We are trees. Our roots network with the roots of others trees. Our branches grow with desire of touching other branches." Francisco Alarcón

## **Learning Objectives**



- Describe the basic structure and functions of the family.
- Explain the effects of transitions in family ties on children (divorce, single parenting, remarriage, dual-earner, kin custody, and cohabitation [heterosexual or homosexual partners]).
- Discuss macrosystem influences (socioeconomic status, cultural orientation, and religious orientation) on families and the socialization of children.
- Discuss chronosystem influences (sociopolitical, economic, and technological changes) on families and the socialization of children.
- Define and discuss family empowerment.



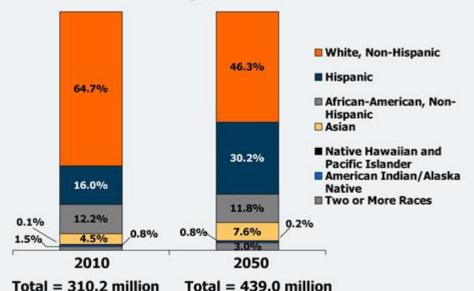
## U.S. Population





275 million people in US in 2000

# Distribution of U.S. Population by Race/Ethnicity, 2010 and 2050



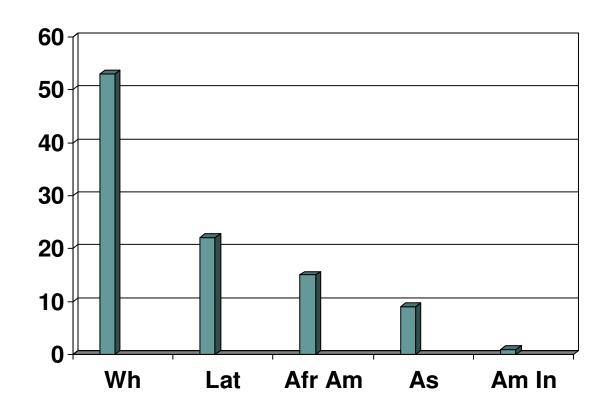
NOTES: All racial groups non-Hispanic. Data do not include residents of Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or the Northern Marina Islands. Totals may not add to 100%.

SOURCE: Kaiser Family Foundation, based on http://www.census.gov/population/www/projections/downloadablefiles.html U.S. Census Bureau, 2008, Projected Population by Single Year of Age, Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin for the United States: July 1, 2000 to July 1, 2050.



# USA Demographics 2050 Projection

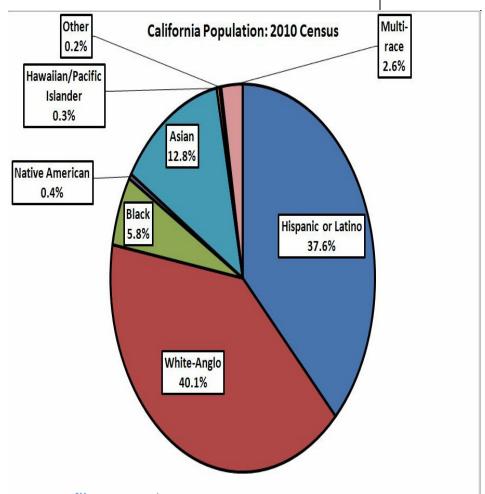




## California Demographics Census 2010



- No ethnic group is a majority in California
- Population in 2010 37.5; 33.9 million in 2000



http://projects.nytimes.com/census/2010/map

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# The Bay Area and Santa Clara



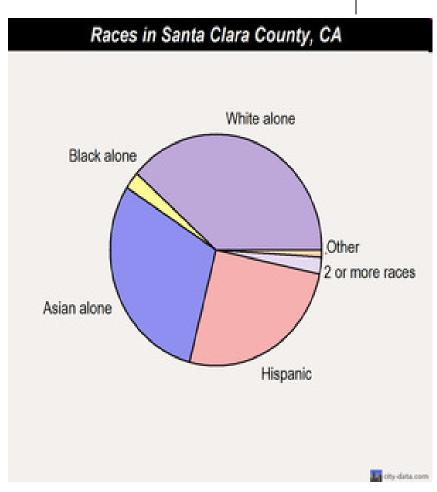
- The Bay Area 7.1 million
- Has seen an enormous growth primarily from 2 groups, Latino/API--little over 23% for each



# Santa Clara County Population 2010



- 1.7 million
- 47% in 2010; 53.8 % in 2000 White
- 32% in 2010; 25.7 % in 2000 Asians
- 26.9% in 2010; 24% in 2000 Latino
- .7% American Indian
- 2.6% in 2010; 2.8 % in 2000 African American



## Challenges



- It is important for our diverse population to find ways to work together.
- "... now in the 21st century we have to start thinking as US being multiethnic"
- "... we must head the state of California in the direction of increased cooperation and mutual understanding."
   (National Council of la Raza)
- Ways government supports and does not support

# US Families Facts

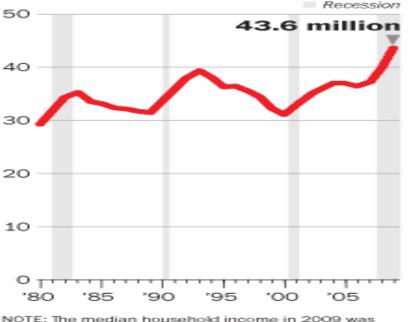


- 1 of 6; 13% of people living in USA live in poverty
- 1 in 4 children live in poverty
- About 44 million in U.S. lived below poverty line in 2009, census data show
- Poverty rates among Latinos are higher than in the general population. More than one in four Latino households—26.9 percent struggles to put food on the table, compared to 14.6 percent of all households.

#### More impoverished Americans

The recession has pushed a record number of Americans into poverty, according to census data released Thursday.

Number in poverty, in millions



NOTE: The median household income in 2009 was not statistically different from 2006's median income. 10

SOURCE: Census Bureau The Washington Post

http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dvn/content/article/2010/09/16/AR2010091602698 html

# Family Life

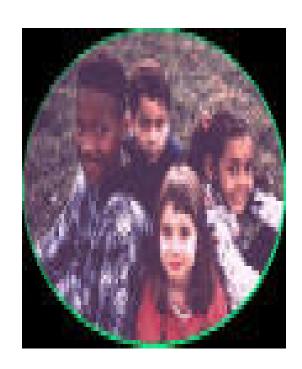




## **Activity: Story book reading**



- In small groups use stories and your own experience to come up with a definition of family.
- Books for dialogue:
   I Love You Forever, Robert Munch
   Families Share, Rozanne Williams
   So Much/Trish Cooke
   Asha's Moms (same sex family)
   Radio Man (migrant family)
   My Dad Takes Care of Me, Daddy and Me
   My Family, Carmen Lomas



## **Family**



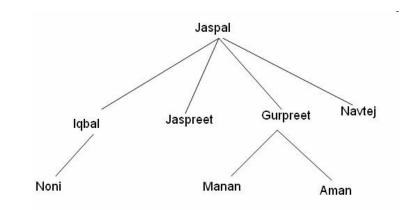
 A group of individuals that have a bond among each other with young children's basic needs are met including the necessary nurturing.

## **Families' Structures**



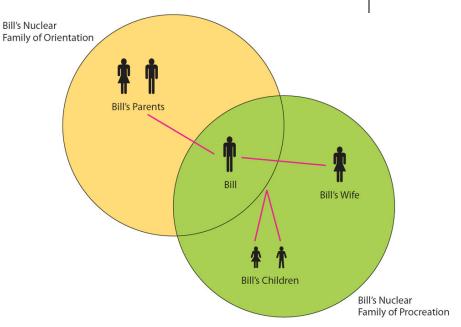
- Two-parent families
- Single parents
- Same gender couples
- Divorced parents
- Blended families

Activity: Create you the family structure



## **Family Structures**

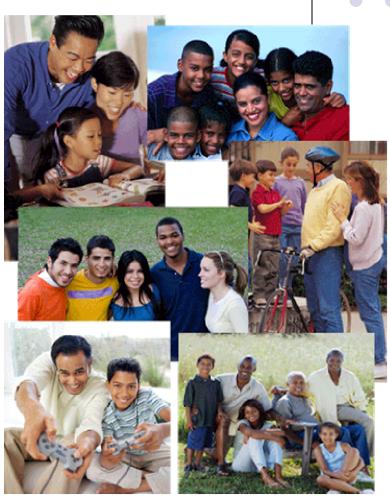
- Nuclear Family
  - Family of orientation
  - Family of procreation



Extended family

## **Basic family functions**

- Reproduction
- Economic support 2012
   Minimum Wage issue
- Socialization/education
- Assignment of social roles
- Authority patterns
- Nurturance/emotional support



## **Family Transitions-**

### How do families adapt to changes?

- Structural family changes
  - Family Ties
  - Divorce, the law and effects family functions, socio-economics, dynamics, authority distribution, domestic responsibility and emotional support
- Single parent custody
- Join custody
- Kin Custody
- Racial and interfaith families
- Step families
- Families of unmarried parents
- Families of Same-Sex Parents
- Families of Adopted children
- Dual-Earner Families
- Immigrant Families

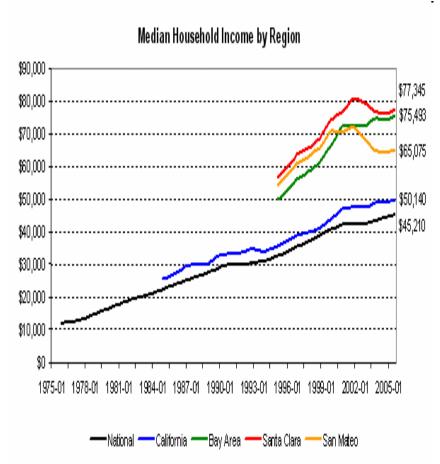




## **Macro Influences in Socialization**



### Socio economic status



Macro Influences in Socialization -Activity

### Socio Political Changes

Immigration- Stories

http://www.thedreamisnow.org/#the\_dream http://www.thedreamisnow.org/documentary

Obama Speech on Immigration Reform 1/13

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=344LeYYXSVg

Immigration Reform, Dream Act AB 540, Deferred Action Immigration Power point

- Domestic policies
- Foreign policy

Economic Changes

Technological Changes





## **Macro Influences in Socialization**

### **Cultural Orientation**

 Role of culture in family

 Cultural norms and values impact socialization  Amy Chua/Tiger Mom, "Didn't Expect this Level of Intensity!" 1/26/2011

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v =GAel\_qRfKx8

# 'Tiger Mom' Amy Chua responds to uproar

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v
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 Resource Article: "Why Chinese Mothers are Superior" by Amy Chua

# Macro Influences in Socialization Religious orientation



### **Activity**

- Individually answer the following questions.
  - What role does religion/spirituality play in your life?
  - How did it influence your socialization?
  - Compare with the content presented on page 104-106
- Pair and share

## Stress and the Family



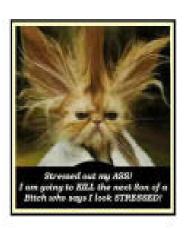
- Stress can be a growth factor
- Poverty
- Special circumstances
- Substance abuse
- Divorce and custody issues



## Stress and the Family



- Step and blended families, single families
- Lack of support
- Communication difficulties
- Inaccessible resources
- Bias Issues



### Styles of Child Rearing

There are manners in which families socialize their children



Style of parenting
establish high
standards for their
children and insist
that youngsters meet
those standards
(demandingness).

Style of parenting
accept and are
responsive to their
children, engage in
verbal open
discussion, and
verbal give -andtake (responsiveness)

# Dianne Baumrid Parenting Styles



Classification of Parenting Styles

Parenting styles

Accepting, responsive

Rejecting, unresponsive

Demanding, controlling

Authoritative

Authoritarian

Undemanding, uncontrolling

Indulgent

Neglectful

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v= SYeNTlfu-w
Diane Baumrind

#### The four parenting styles and their effects

#### The authoritative parent

Affectionate and engaged
Sets limits and enforces consequences
Uses reason, logic, and appropriate
negotiation
Empowers a child's decision
making

#### The authoritarian parent

Emotionally aloof Bossy; likely to say, "Because I said so" Uses physical punishment or verbal insults Dismisses a child's feelings.

#### The permissive parent

Affectionate
Anxious to please, ends every sentence
by asking, "OK?"
Indulgent
Can't say no and stick to it
Easily manipulated

#### The passive parent

Emotionally removed or indifferent Uninvolved Abdicates discipline Inconsistent and unpredictable

#### His or her child is likely to be

Happy, responsible, and kind Good at problem-solving Self-motivated and confident Cooperative An excellent student A leader

#### His or her child is likely to be

Moody and anxious Well-behaved An average to good student A follower

#### His or her child is likely to be

Demanding and whiny Easily frustrated Lacking kindness and empathy A poor to average student A follower

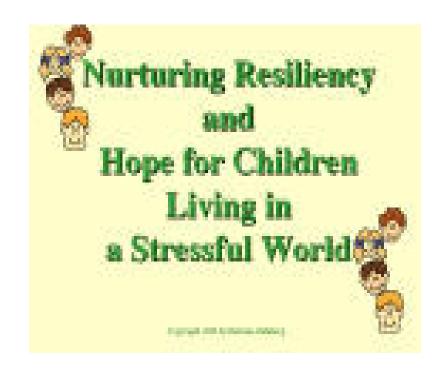
#### His or her child is likely to be

Clingy and needy Inappropriate and rude Likely to get into trouble A poor student A follower



## Resiliency

Is the psychological strength to recover from misfortune or emerges from a history of severe distress.



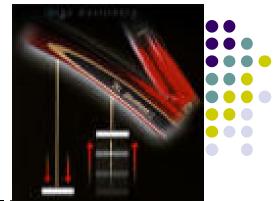






- Development of connectedness to someone in the early years (relationships)
- Child finds themselves needed by someone else
- Child relates to someone else's helplessness gives them a sense of power

## Resiliency



 Child displays the ability to elicit positive responses from others

 Child perceives his/her experiences constructively and hold a positive vision of a meaningful life

## **Concepts and terms**



- achieved status
- ascribed status
- binuclear family
- collectivism
- egalitarian family
- empowerment
- extended family
- family
- family of orientation
- family of procreation
- gemeinschaft
- gesellschaft

- individualism
- marriage
- matriarchal family
- modern society
- norms
- nuclear family
- operational definition
- patriarchal family
- Protestant ethic
- religion -
- socioeconomic status
- stress
- traditional society

"We need a conspiracy of adults gathered together on behalf of ensuring the well-being and success of our children."

Dr. James Comer