

Family Resource Centers & Collaboratives

Highlights / Events / Collaboration



Kern County Collaborative Meetings

Contact the collaborative coordinator for virtual link or for in-person location information.

****K CNC General Collaborative Meeting**
3rd Thursday monthly, 8:30 am
DARK Jul., Nov., Dec.
Next Meeting: August 20, 2026
Yadira Vargas (661) 636-4920

****Buttonwillow Collaborative**
4th Monday, 1:30 pm
(Sept., Nov., Feb., April)
Next Meeting: Sept. 28, 2026
Serena Garcia (661) 764-9405

***Delano Neighborhood Partnership**
1st Tuesday monthly, 9:30 am
DARK July & January
Next Meeting: August 4, 2026
Linda Hinojosa (661) 721-7036

***Eagle Talk Collaborative**
1st Wednesday monthly, 9:00 am
DARK Jun., Jul., Aug.
Next Meeting: September 2, 2026
Yareli Tamayo (661) 631-3246

****East Kern Collaborative**
3rd Tuesday monthly, 2:00 pm
DARK November & December
Next Meeting: August 18, 2026
Anna Saavedra (661) 824-4118

****Greenfield H.E.L.P.S. Collab.**
2nd Thursday monthly, 9:00 am
DARK June & July
Next Meeting: August 13, 2026
Jordan Green (661) 837-3720

****Indian Wells Valley Collab.**
3rd Wednesday monthly, 10:00 am
DARK July & December
Next Meeting: August 19, 2026
Kandi Smith (760) 375-4357

***Kern Disability Collaborative**
2nd Wednesday monthly, 1:00 pm
DARK June & July
Next Meeting: August 12, 2026
Bernadette Madrid or
Rebecca Core-Turner (661) 368-5559

****Kern River Valley Collaborative**
3rd Tuesday monthly, 9:30 am
DARK July & December
Next Meeting: August 18, 2026
Wendy Holland (760) 379-2556

****Lost Hills Collaborative**
(26-27: Sept. 3, 2026, March 4, 2027)
1st Thursday on list dates, 10:00 am
Next Meeting: September 3, 2026
Leticia Limon (661) 797-3041

****McFarland Community Collab.**
2nd Tuesday monthly, 2:00 pm
DARK June & July
Next Meeting: August 11, 2026
Margie Perez (661) 792-1883

****Mountain Communities Collab.**
3rd Thursday bi-monthly, 10 am
DARK Jun., Aug., Dec.
(*July 16, *Sept. 17, *Nov. 19)
Next Meeting: September 17, 2026
Claudia Cuba (661) 245-4303

ARVIN FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

300 FRANKLIN STREET
ARVIN, CA
661-854-6565

- Social Security Application
- VITA- United Way
- Housing Application Assist.
- Medi-Cal and CalFresh Assistance
- EDD Services (unemployment, disability and paid family leave)
- Local Resource Referrals
- www.arvinschools.com/family-resource-center

BUTTONWILLOW COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

42600 HWY. 58,
BUTTONWILLOW, CA
(661) 764-9405

- Case Management/Home Based for families 0-5 children
- Nurturing Parenting Classes
- Medi-Cal, Covered California, EDD Services
- Food Commodities every 3rd Friday of the month
- Emergency Food
- Local Resources Referrals
- www.buttonwillow.k12.ca.us

DELANO COMMUNITY CONNECTION CENTER

1842 NORWALK ST.
DELANO, CA
(661) 721-7036

- Nurturing Parenting Classes
- Food Distributions
- HEAP Assistance Referrals
- Car Seat Distribution Delano PD
- School Readiness Pre-K
- Local Resources Referrals
- www.duesd.org/domain/63

EAST KERN FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

15662 K STREET
MOJAVE, CA
(661) 824-4118

- Case Management
- Washers On Site
- Food, Clothing, & More
- First 5 Kern Services
- HEAP and VITA Assistance
- HMIS Homeless Services
- School Readiness Pre-K
- www.facebook.com/EastKernFRC/

GREENFIELD FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

5400 MONITOR ST.
BAKERSFIELD, CA
(661) 837-3720

- Families Enrichment and Nutrition Classes
- Food, Utility Assistance, & Health Insurance Referral Services
- Immunization Clinic, Medical Enrollment, & Health Screenings
- www.facebook.com/greenfieldfrc

KERN RIVER VALLEY FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

2810 NUGGET AVE.
LAKE ISABELLA, CA
(760) 379-2556

- Early Child Home Visiting Program (0-5) & School Referrals Case Management
- Lice Treatments
- Community Classes: Anger Management, Nurturing Parent, Parent Project/Loving Solutions, KFHC Healthy Living/Diabetic, Shaken Baby Syndrome, Protective Factors
- Medical Enrollment & Renewal
- www.kernvilleusd.org

LES D FAMILY SUCCESS CENTER

7915 BURGUNDY AVENUE,
LAMONT, CA
(661) 845-2724

- Resource & Referral Services Monday to Friday 8am-7pm
- Community Classes: Parent Project, Parents on a Mission, Court Mandated, ESL, High School Diploma, Computers, Family Literacy, Workshops, and More!
- www.facebook.com/lesdfamilies

LOST HILLS FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

14823 OFFICE LANE
LOST HILLS, CA
(661) 797-3062

- Food Commodities 3rd Friday of the Month
- Abusive Head Trauma/ Shaken Baby Syndrome Trainings
- School Readiness Pre-K
- Medi-Cal Enrollment Service
- Local Resource Referrals
- www.losthills.k12.ca.us

MCFARLAND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

410 EAST PERKINS AVE
MCFARLAND, CA
(661) 792-1883

- Case Management
- Parent Education Classes
- Center-Based Activities
- Utility Assistance
- Emergency Food Baskets
- www.mcfarlandusd.com/District

MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

3015 MT. PINOS WAY, #201
FRAZIER PARK, CA
(661) 245-4303

- Family Success Coaching
- One-stop for Resources & Referrals
- Emergency Food/Hygiene
- Children's Circle every Wednesday 11am-12pm
- Local Resource Referrals
- www.facebook.com/fp.mcfr

OASIS FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

814 N. NORMA STREET
RIDGECREST, CA
(760) 248-3221

- Emergency Food/Hygiene
- HMIS Homeless Services
- Nurturing Parenting Classes
- School Readiness Pre-K
- Case Management Services
- HEAP and VITA Assistance
- Car Seat Checks
- www.facebook.com/CAPKOasis

RICHLAND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

BEHIND GOLDEN OAK ELEM.
S. VALLEY STREET, ROOM 143
SHAFTER, CA
(661) 746-8690

- School Readiness Pre-K
- Case Management of Families (0-5) & School Referrals
- Medi-Cal & EDD Services
- Nurturing Parenting Classes
- Local Resource Referrals
- www.facebook.com/rsdhealthystart

SAFE HAVEN KIDS' LEAGUE
RESOURCE CENTER
9072 CALIFORNIA CITY BLVD.,
CALIFORNIA CITY, CA
(760) 338-3488

- Premier Mobile Clinic
Second Tuesday of Month
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Food Distribution every
4th Tuesday at 11am
- Food Pantry every
Tues. & Fri 10am-2pm
- Clothes, Shoes, Infant
Essentials & School Supplies
- www.shklcrc.org

SIERRA SANDS USD
FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
1305 N. NORMA ST.
RIDGECREST, CA
(760) 499-1780

- Clothing Closet
- Hygiene Products
- School Supplies
- Computer Center
- Parenting Classes
- Local Resource Referrals
- www.ssusd.org/page/family-resource-center

SOUTHERN KERN UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT PARENT & COMMUNITY CENTER
2800 ROSAMOND BLVD.
ROSAMOND, CA
(661) 256-5000 EXT. 1215

- Free Library Books
- College Application Assistance
- Resume Building Assistance
- Local Resource Referrals
- www.skusd.k12.ca.us

***Oildale Community Partnership**
1st Wednesday bi-monthly, 9:00 am
DARK Jun., Jul., Aug.
Next Meeting: September 2, 2026
Paulina Diaz (661) 444-3663

****Richardson Special Needs Collaborative**
2nd Thursday quarterly, 2:00 pm
DARK Jun., Jul., Aug., Oct., Nov., Jan.
Next Meeting: September 10, 2026
Ana Gomez(661) 336-5481

****Shafter Community Collaborative**
3rd Wednesday monthly, 11:00 am
DARK July & December
Next Meeting: August 19, 2026
Adam Alvidrez (661) 746-8690

****South Valley Neighborhood Arvin/Lamont/Weedpatch**
1st Thursday monthly, 10:00 am
DARK July & January
Next Meeting: August 6, 2026
Janet Hernandez (661) 845-2724

***Veteran's Collaborative**
4th Thursday bi-monthly, 10:00 am
DARK November & December
Next Meeting: September 24, 2026
Jenny Frank (661) 395-4312

****Wasco Collaborative**
4th Wednesday monthly, 10:00 am
DARK Jun., Jul., Aug., Nov., Dec.
Next Meeting: September 23, 2026
Korinna Campbell (661)758-7443

***West Side (Taft) Collaborative**
2nd Tuesday, bi-monthly, 2:00 pm
DARK Jun., Aug., Oct., Dec.
Next Meeting: September 08, 2026
Stephanie Molina (661) 745-4507

***In-Person Only *Virtual Only**
***Hybrid (In-Person & Virtual)**
***KCNC Accredited**

VINELAND
FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
14713 WEEDPATCH HWY
BAKERSFIELD, CA
(661) 845-3713

- Backpacks &School Supplies
- Food Pantry
- School Readiness Pre-K
- Parenting Classes
- KMC Mobile Unit (bi-weekly)
- Local Resource Referrals
- www.vineland.k12.ca.us

(WASCO) EDUCATION AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
440 GRIFFITH AVE.
WASCO, CA
(661) 758-7150

- Emergency Food and Clothing Distribution Resources
- School Readiness Pre-K
- Local Resource Referrals
- <https://www.wuesd.org/>

WEST SIDE OUTREACH & LEARNING CENTER
500 CASCADE PLACE, STE. C
TAFT, CA
(661) 763-4246, EXT. 0

- Family Success Coaching
- Preschool Program
- Parent Education Classes
- Case Management for Families of 0-5 Children
- Local Resource Referrals
- www.facebook.com/westsideoutreachlearning

Faith Based Resource Center
Open to All Regardless of Religion

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF BAKERSFIELD
825 CHESTER AVE
BAKERSFIELD, CA
(661) 281-2130

- Free Programs & Services
- Food Pantry
- Diaper Program
- Enhanced Care Management
- Workforce Programs
- www.ccdof.org

Resource Center for American Indian and Alaska Natives

BAKERSFIELD AMERICAN INDIAN HEALTH PROJECT
501 40TH ST
BAKERSFIELD, CA
(661) 327-4030

- General Medical Services
- Behavioral Health Services
- Cultural & Spiritual Services
- www.bakersfieldaihp.org

Resource Center for 2SLGBTQIA+

THE CENTER FOR SEXUALITY & GENDER DIVERSITY
902 18th St.
Bakersfield, CA
(661)843-7795

- Peer Support Groups
- Mental Health Services
- Community Health Resources
- Social Events
- www.thecenterbak.org

Resource Centers for families with members who have disabilities and/or special needs in Kern County

H.E.A.R.T.S. CONNECTION
FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
4500 CALIFORNIA AVE
BAKERSFIELD, CA
(661) 328-9055

- Parent to Parent Support/Mentor Program
- Parent Trainings
- Autism Support Services
- Assistance at IEP Meetings
- www.heartsfrc.org

RICHARDSON SPECIAL NEEDS COLLABORATIVE
1515 FELIZ DR
BAKERSFIELD, CA
(661) 336-5480

- Case Management for Children 0-5 Years Old
- Parent Trainings for Special Needs Children
- Refer out to Preschool
- Local Resource Referrals
- www.kcsos.org

Exceptional Family Center
3121 N. Sillect Ave. # 303
Bakersfield CA
(661) 873-4973

- Social Security and Cal Fresh Application Assistance for Kern Regional Center Clients
- Early Start Bimonthly Playgroups for KRC Clients
- Community Navigator Assistance & Resources and Referrals for KRC Clients
- www.kernefc.org

Kern County Network for Children (Dream Center)
1801 19th St,
Bakersfield, CA
(661)636-4488

- Foster Youth Services
(16-24 year-olds)
- Kern Regional Center
- Renter's Rights
- Food, Clothes, & More
- www.facebook.com/dreamcenterkerncounty/

August 2026: Back to School Safety in Mind
It's the perfect time to prioritize the safety, health, and well-being of our children, both in and out of the classroom. As students head back to school, families play an important role in helping children feel confident, prepared, and safe.

Parent Action Step: This week, set aside time to talk with your child about kindness, safety, and who their trusted adults are. Talk with them about being kind and respectful, preventing bullying, practicing body safety, and knowing how to respond to strangers. Help them identify trusted adults they can turn to at school and at home if they ever feel unsafe or need help. Encourage open communication about their day, friendships, and concerns, and review transportation safety and emergency contact information. These simple conversations can help build confidence, strengthen communication, and keep children safe throughout the school year.

Together, families, schools, and communities can help create a safe, supportive, and successful school year for every child.



5 Protective Factors

- 1. Parental Resilience-**
The ability of parents to manage stress and function well when faced with challenges and adversity.
- 2. Social Connections-**
The ability to develop positive relationships with family, friends, neighbors, and others to have a support network.
- 3. Concrete Support-**
The ability to access basic necessities that everyone deserves, medical, mental health, social, educational, legal services.
- 4. Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development-**
Learning about prenatal, infant, and child development, and using developmentally and contextually appropriate parenting practices.
- 5. Social & Emotional Competence of Children-**
The ability of children to understand and label their emotions and the emotions of others and to form positive relationships with other children and adults.



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