

BANANAS HANDOUT

Subsidized Child Care Information

Northern Alameda County

BANANAS is happy to supply you with the following referrals and believes that you, the parent or guardian, are best able to choose care for your child(ren). We cannot recommend any providers nor guarantee their quality of service, and you have the right to get information about their licensing record and any substantiated or unsubstantiated complaints. You can access this information by calling the State Department of Social Services at 1-844-538-8766 or visiting <https://secure.dss.ca.gov/carefacilitysearch/>. The information on child care programs listed in this document is subject to change and State budget cuts may result in reductions to their funding. Never hesitate to contact BANANAS with any referral questions at 510-658-0381, referrals@bananasbunch.org or www.bananasbunch.org.

Need help paying for child care?

If you do, you're looking for "subsidized" child care. This document will assist you in your search. There are a variety of child care programs in Alameda County to help low-income parents. It's important for you to start your search early to find a subsidized program for your child because there are more families who need help than there is money to pay for it.

Who funds subsidized child care?

The California Department of Education (CDE) administers most of the child care funds in California. Some local governments, corporations and foundations also provide funds to serve children from low-income families.

Who operates subsidized programs?

Programs are run by a wide variety of institutions – nonprofit, for-profit organizations, churches, school districts, local governments, etc.

What types of programs are available?

Alternative Payment (AP) Programs

These programs do not provide actual child care. Instead, they reimburse the provider for the child care of eligible families in licensed family child care homes, centers or license-exempt child care situations. The parent chooses the child care option. Then the AP program signs an agreement with the parent and provider and reimburses the provider directly. AP programs serve specific geographic areas.

CalWORKs (Welfare to Work) Programs: Stage 1, Stage 2, and Stage 3

These programs serve parents who are receiving or have received cash aid (TANF). They are funded by both the state and federal government. New CalWORKs cash aid recipients go through a CalWORKs orientation. During

the first few months after they attend this orientation, the child care (chosen by the parent) is paid for by a Stage 1 alternative payment (AP) program. Once the CalWORKs parents are no longer receiving cash aid for themselves, they are transferred to a Stage 2 AP program. Parents remain in Stage 2 until 24 months after they last received cash aid. At that point they are transferred to a Stage 3 program. This is a closed process and only parents on CalWORKs are eligible for any of these programs.

To find out if you are eligible for CalWORKs call:

510-263-2420 or visit Benefits CAL website: <http://benefitscal.org> If you are currently receiving cash aid (not just your child listed on the grant), then call Hively to apply for Stage 1 at 510-568-0306.

If you are **not** eligible for CalWORKs, you will need to apply for an AP program. In order to qualify, your family income must be below a certain level set by CDE based on your family size and gross monthly income. See the California Schedule of Income Ceilings chart below to determine whether you are eligible. For most state funded programs parents must be working, looking for work, going to school, in training, or incapacitated.

Alameda County 2020-2021 Income Ceilings

Family Size	Gross Monthly Income	Family Size	Gross Monthly Income
1-2	\$5,540	7	\$9,542
3	\$6,157	8	\$9,755
4	\$7,069	9 /10	\$9,967/\$10,179
5	\$8,199	Following is a partial list of income types that count toward total household income:	
6	\$9,330		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wages/salaries • Child/spousal support • Disability insurance • Pensions or annuities • Cash aid (TANF/ CalWORKs) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-employment income • Worker's compensation • Unemployment • Veteran's benefits 	

Alternative Payment (AP) Programs

BANANAS

5232 Claremont Ave, Oakland, 94618, 510-658-7353
State and federal programs serving children 0 - 12 years in Oakland, Berkeley, Albany, Alameda, Emeryville, and Piedmont. Also operates CalWORKs Stage 2 & 3 programs serving children 0 - 12 years.

4C's of Alameda County

8105 Edgewater Dr, #270, Oakland, 94621, 510-383-3582 x 0
Vendor program for Oakland residents only. Also operates CAPP and CalWORKs Stage 2 & 3 programs serving children 0 - 12 years.

Davis Street Family Resource Center

3081 Teagarden St, San Leandro, 94577, 510-347-4620 x 233 or 145
Operates CAPP and CalWORKs Stage 2 & 3 programs serving children 0 - 12 years in San Leandro, San Lorenzo, Castro Valley, Ashland, and Berkeley/Albany.

Child Development Centers (CDC)

General child care and development programs are state and federally funded programs that use centers operated or administered by either public or private agencies and local educational agencies. These agencies provide child development services for children from birth through 12 years of age (and older children who have exceptional needs). However, there are very few child care centers that serve infants. Most serve children beginning at age three. These programs generally offer full-day, full-year care.

State Preschool (or Pre-K)

Part-day comprehensive developmental programs for three- to five-year-old children from low-income families. State Preschool programs do not require the parent to be working, looking for work, in training, incapacitated or going to school in order to qualify.

Special Note:

Every licensed child care program is required to provide information on its licensing history, including complaints substantiated by the Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD). Ask for licensing documents and also contact the Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD) for information about licensed programs at 1-844-538-8766.

Alameda

Woodstock CDC (Not currently active)

500 Pacific Ave, 94501, 510-748-4001
18 months – 5th grade

Ala Costa Center (Currently OPEN)

(Only for children/young adults with disabilities.)
1401 Pacific Ave, Alameda 94501, 510-527-2550
6 – 22 years, after school program

Albany

Albany Children's Center (Not currently active)

720 Jackson St, 94706, 510-559-6590
3 years – 3rd grade

Berkeley

Berkeley Unified School District

BUSD operates several child development centers (CDC), extended day, and after school learning programs. For enrollment information call the site.

CDCs

Full-day, full-year programs and ½-day school year programs.

King (Not currently active)

1939 Ward St, 94710, 510-644-6358

Preschools (3-5 year olds)

Full-day, full-year programs and ½-day school year programs.

Hopkins (Not currently active)

1810 Hopkins St, 94707, 510-644-8939

Franklin (Not currently active)

1460 8th St, 94710, 510-644-6339

BEARS (K-5th grade): Phased reopening dates

Before and after school, full-year programs.

Berkeley Arts Magnet (Currently OPEN)

2015 Virginia St, 94709, 510-644-8939

Jefferson (Not currently active)

1400 Ada St, 94702, 510-644-8939

John Muir (Not currently active)

2955 Claremont Ave, 94705, 510-644-8938

Sylvia Mendez (Not currently active)

2840 Ellsworth St, CA 94705, 510-644-8938

Malcom X (Not currently active)

1731 Prince St, 94703, 510-644-8938

Rosa Parks (Not currently active)

920 Allston Way, 94710, 510-644-8939

Washington (Not currently active)

2300 Martin Luther King Jr Way, 94704, 510-644-8938

LEARNS (K-5th grade)

Afterschool, school year only programs.

Berkeley Arts Magnet (Currently OPEN)

2015 Virginia St, 94709, 510-644-8625

Cragmont (Not currently active)

830 Regal Rd, 94708, 510-644-4892

Emerson (Not currently active)

2800 Forest Ave, 94705, 510-883-5247

Sylvia Mendez (*Not currently active*)
2840 Ellsworth St, CA 94705, 510-644-8938

Malcolm X (*Not currently active*)
1731 Prince St, 94703, 510-883-6149

Oxford (*Not currently active*)
1130 Oxford St, 94707, 510-644-8883

Rosa Parks (*Not currently active*)
920 Allston Way, 94710, 510-883-5228

Thousand Oaks (**Currently OPEN**)
840 Colusa Ave, 94707, 510-883-6145

Washington (*Not currently active*)
2300 Martin Luther King Jr Way, 94704, 510-644-8938

Berkeley (Centers not associated with BUSD)

BAHIA/Centro Vida (**Currently OPEN**)
1000 Camelia St, 94710, 510-525-1463
2 – 5 years

Ephesian Children's Center (**Currently OPEN**)
1907 Harmon St, 94703, 510-653-2984
3 – 12 years

University of California Berkeley (**Currently Open**)
(Designed for students/faculty/staff)
2339 Haste St, 94720, 510-642-1827
2 months – 5 years.11 months

Emeryville
City of Emeryville CDC (**Currently OPEN**)
1220 53rd St, 94608, 510-596-4343
3 – 5 years

Oakland Unified School District (OUSD)

The following types of centers are run by OUSD.

- **CDC (3 - 5 year olds) Child Development Centers** are full-day, full-year programs.
- **Pre-K (3 - 4.9 year olds) State Preschools** are ½day, school year programs.
- **SA (K - 12 year olds) School age Programs** are full year and provide before and/or afterschool care.

For enrollment information at OUSD call 510-273-1590 or go to 746 Grand Ave, Room A.

Oakland centers not associated with OUSD

24 Hour Oakland Parent-Teacher (**Currently Open**)
4700 International Blvd., 94601, 510-534-6030
2 – 5 years

Building Blocks Preschool & Maya Angelou Academy (**Currently Open**)
(Day treatment program for children with behavioral and emotional challenges)
3695 High St, 94619, 510-434-7990
3-5 years, K - 5

Laney Community College (*Not currently active*)
(mostly designed for students/runs on semester; may have community openings)
900 Fallon St, 94607, 510-464-3575 (3 – 5 years)

Merritt College Child Care Center (**Currently Open**)
(mostly designed for students/runs on semesters, may have community openings)
12500 Campus Dr, 94619,
510-436-2436
3 – 5 years

Salvation Army - Booth Memorial (**Currently Open**)
2794 Garden St, 94601
510-535-5088
18 months – 5 years

Supporting Future Growth (**Currently Open**)
5909 Camden St, 94605, 510-562-3048
18 months-5 years

St. Mary's Preschool (**PT only/Currently Open**)
3208 San Pablo Ave, 94608, 510-595-4030
3 – 5 years

St. Vincent's Day Home (**Currently Open**)
1086 8th St, 94607, 510-832-8324
2 – 5 years

Therapeutic Nursery School (**Currently Open**)
(For children with behavioral and emotional challenges)
6117 MLK Jr. Way, 94609, 510-655-4896
2 – 6 years

YMCA of the East Bay (*Not currently active*)
(Serves Berkeley, Albany residents)
756 21st St, 9612, 510-272-0669
18 months – 5 years

Head Start/Early Head Start Programs

The rules for these programs are different from others serving low-income families. Head Start (3-5 year olds) and Early Head Start (0-3 year olds) programs receive **federal funding**. Contact the programs for eligibility information and see below. Most of these programs offer **part-day sessions** and operate only during the public school year. Parent participation is usually required.

Federal Annual Income Ceilings 2020-21

Persons in Family	Income
1	\$12,760
2	\$17,240
3	\$21,720
4	\$26,200
5	\$30,680
6	\$35,160
7	\$39,640
8	\$44,120
Add each additional person: \$4,480	

Alameda Family Services *(Not currently active)*

(Serves Alameda residents)
Clement Ave, Ste A, Alameda, 94501, 510-629-6350

Head Start: centers, ½- and ¾-day programs

Early Head Start: centers, ¾-day programs

City of Oakland Head Start *(Not currently active)*

(Serves Oakland residents)
Frank Ogawa Plaza, Ste 5352, Oakland, 94501,
510-238-3165

Head Start: centers, ¾- and full-day programs

Early Head Start: centers, full-day programs

Through the Looking Glass *(Not currently active)*

(Serves Oakland residents)
Adeline St, Berkeley, 94703, 510-848-1112 x 4209

Early Head Start: center, ¾-day program

Unity Council *(Not currently active)*

(Serves Oakland residents)
Fruitvale Ave, Oakland, 94601, 510-535-6102

Head Start: centers, ¾-day programs, 510-535-6106

E/Head Start: centers, ¾-day programs, 510-553-9926

Kidango Castlemont Early Scholars *(Not currently active)* (Serves Oakland residents)

8601 MacArthur Blvd, Bldg 300, Oak, 94605, 855-757-5437

Early Head Start: 1 center, full-day program

Kidango Cox Academy *(Not currently active)*

9860 Sunnyside St, Oakland, 94603, 855-757-5437

Head Start: 1 center, half-day program

Early Head Start: 1 center, full-day program

YMCA of the Central Bay Area *(Not currently active)*

(Serves Berkeley, Albany, and Emeryville residents)
10th St, Berkeley, 94710, 510-848-9092

Teen Parenting Programs

The programs below provide free child care for enrolled teen parents working toward their high school diploma/GED.

Cal-Learn: For teens who are eligible for CalWORKs (usually through their parents' grant). Teens can be referred through Brighter Beginnings, 510-437-8950.

Cal-SAFE Programs: Serves teens in their respective school districts:

Berkeley Unified School District:

Vera Casey Center *(Not currently active)*
(Serving Albany, Berkeley, and Emeryville residents)
2246 MLK Jr. Way, Berkeley, 94704, 510-549-3063

Oakland Unified School District

through Alameda Co Office of Education
Available at different locations, contact Carolyn Hobbs
2111 International Blvd, Oakland, 94601, 510-670-7683

Alameda County Resource and Referral (R&R) Agencies

Child care referral agencies are funded by CDE to provide up-to date information on licensed child care programs and subsidies in the areas they serve. These agencies help families locate child care services and counsel parents on how to assess the quality of child care providers. In Alameda County there are three agencies.

BANANAS (North County)

Alameda, Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, Oakland, and Piedmont,
510-658-7353, www.bananasbunch.org

4Cs of Alameda County (South County)

Castro Valley, Fremont, Hayward, Newark, San Leandro, San Lorenzo, and Union City
510-582-2182 x 3198, www.4c-alameda.org

Hively (East County)

Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton, and Sunol
925-417-8733, www.behively.org

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