

#### Child Care Resource & Referral

This state and federally funded program assists parents in Riverside County with finding licensed child care near their home, work, or child's school. The computerized, geographically based program lists over 2,800 licensed centers and family child care homes.

If you are a child care provider who would like to be added to the Resource and Referral list, please contact us at (800) 442-4927.

#### Access the Online Referral System

Contact us for Resource & Referral services at (800) 442-4927 or by email at RandR@rcoe.us

- Receives over 8,000 child care referral calls every year
- Receives over 40,000 requests for technical assistance
- Child care referrals are based on parent's request of:
  - $\circ$  Location
  - Type of care
  - $\circ \quad \text{Hours needed} \quad$
  - Ages of children
  - Special needs
- Provides resource information to parents regarding quality childcare and other community resources.
- Assists with licensing orientations throughout the county.
- Provides resource information to childcare providers on providing quality programs and how to market and run a successful childcare business.
- Provides pre-licensing inspections to potential childcare providers prior to Community Care Licensing inspecting their homes.
- Resource & Referral conducts several community events throughout the year in support of children in Riverside County.



California Work Opportunity and Responsibility for Kids (CalWORKs) Child Care



# Who is it for?

Current or former CalWORKs cash aid recipients are eligible to receive assistance with paying for child care with a provider of their choice, if they are employed or participating in county approved Welfare-to-Work activities.Pregnant and parenting teens in the Cal-Learn program are also eligible to receive CalWORKs child care. Child care is provided for children through the age of 12, and for exceptional needs and severely disabled children up to age 21. If you are not receiving CalWORKs cash assistance and need help paying for child care, contact the local <u>Child Care Resource and Referral agency</u> (R&R) and/or the <u>Alternative Payment</u> <u>Program</u> (APP) in your county to obtain more information.

## How to Apply:

The program is administered at the county level by the county welfare departments. To apply for services, <u>contact your local county welfare department</u>.

## Already Getting Child Care?

If you are currently receiving CalWORKs child care, have questions or concerns about your services or current child care arrangements, contact your Child Care Worker, the Welfare-to-Work or Cal-Learn worker as appropriate.

## California Child Care Resource & Referral Programs:

The local <u>Child Care Resource and Referral</u> programs maintain a directory of child care providers, provide resources and information to parents looking for child care. The local Child Care Resource and Referral agencies also assist potential child care providers in the licensing process including training for providers. The Child Care Resource and Referral also have a toll free telephone number. If you would like more assistance call **1-800-KIDS-793**.