

Connecting to Services Families with School Aged Children

Your path to support can start today.

Call 211 to begin exploring housing and support options.

If your family is experiencing homelessness, free programs in Contra Costa County can help with housing, school support, and basic needs.

Bringing Families Home

Helps families at risk of homelessness who are also receiving Contra Costa County Child Welfare services. Ask your Child Welfare case manager if you qualify.

CalWORKS Cash Aid

Families at risk of homelessness or experiencing homelessness who are connected to CalWORKS may be eligible for housing resources and programs through program. Ask your case manager if you qualify.

(866) 663-3225 | [CalWORKs](#)

CARE Center – Richmond

Drop-in site for families with children experiencing homelessness.

- Basic needs: meals, bathroom, laundry, showers, mail
- Case Management

Greater Richmond Interfaith Program (GRIP)

165 22nd Street, Richmond

Mon-Fri: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Sat-Sun: 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

CocoKids (Child Care Resource & Referral)

CocoKids is a trusted nonprofit organization dedicated to helping families find quality child care, early learning resources, and support services in Contra Costa County and beyond. They work to ensure children get the best possible start in life.

Services include child care referrals, subsidy programs, and parenting resources.

866-262-6543 | cocokids.org

CORE Mobile Outreach – Families

Specialized team support families living outside by connecting them to services and housing.

Call 211 and say you're a family with children.

School District Homeless Liaisons

Every school district in Contra Costa County has a Homeless Liaison who can help families experiencing homelessness. Liaisons make sure children and youth can stay enrolled in school and receive the support they need to learn.

You can enroll your child in school immediately even without the documents normally required for enrollment, such as:

- Proof of residency
- Immunization or other health records
- School records
- Legal guardianship papers

Your child may also:

- Participate fully in all school activities and programs for which they are eligible
- In some cases, transportation can be arranged to help your child stay at their current school. The liaison will work with you to determine eligibility.
- Continue attending their last school (school of origin) even if you move outside that area
- Automatically qualify for free school meals

To find your school district's liaison and learn more about services, visit [CCCOE Homeless Youth Services](#)

Family Shelters

Bay Area Rescue Mission, Richmond

Families and adults

Men: **510-215-4868** | Women & Children: **510-215-4860**

Greater Richmond Interfaith Program (GRIP), Richmond

Families with children

Walk in during [CARE Center operating hours](#) or call **211**

Mountain View, Martinez

Families with children

Call 211, option 3

STAND! For Families of Violence, Confidential Location

Survivors of domestic violence (including families)

888-215-5555

Winter Nights Safe Parking, Pittsburg

Families, couples, or individuals living in vehicles

925-435-2074

Winter Nights Family Shelter (September - June), Rotating locations

Families with children

925-435-2074