



Contra Costa County Local Planning and Advisory Council for Early Care and Education







OUR MISSION

The mission of the Contra Costa County Local Planning Council for Child Care and Development is to promote quality child care through community assessment, advocacy, resource development, and collaboration with other organizations.



Needs Assessment



ASSESS PREPARE PROMOTE

The Local Planning Council (LPC) conducts an assessment of local child care needs no less than once every five years. The report summarizes data intended to facilitate the long-term planning and implementation of programs and initiatives designed to meet the early care and education needs of children who reside in Contra Costa County.

2022 Child Care Needs Assessment

Updated Needs Assessment coming in June 2026



Collaborate with other agencies

CocoKids, First 5, CSB, EHSD, Head Start, CSPP, Private Centers, Family Child Care, LEAs, Libraries, etc.



Increase LPC effectiveness for better outcomes for Contra Costa families and the Early Care and Education Workforce

LPC Padlet





ZIP CODES

Antioch

Bay Point

Concord

Pittsburg

San Pablo

Richmond

These are the areas of attention but many other zip codes may have needs too.

Collaboration in our community addresses the needs in other cities to the best of our ability.

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ENCOURAGING PARTICIPATION

Recruitment

4 Seats available

Child Care Consumer - West

Child Care Provider - West & Central/South

ckpack Discretionary Appointments - West

700 Back to School Backpack giveaway

CENTER

Parent Fairs and Partnership









Events throughout Contra Costa



Early Learning Conference - LMC

Emerging Needs of a **Growing Community**





Source: California Department of Finance. Demographic Research Report P-2B Total Estimated and Projected Population for Contra Costa by single year of age Calendar Year 2025-2030



Costa County in 2027



Percent of Preschool Child Care Demand NOT Met

What does this mean?

The Workforce Needs to be a Priority

- Wages
 - First 5 Contra Costa published an ECE Compensation study
 - Child Care Law Center, Child Care Providers United California (CCPU) working for wages & benefits 0
 - LPC Advocacy Committee in partnership with Family Child Care Associations across Contra Costa 0 are advocating for affordable wages to keep workers out of poverty.
 - Wage boost pilot program: Provides 120 Early Care & Education (ECE) workers with \$1000 per month for 18 months. (First 5 Contra Costa & CocoKids)
- Workforce
 - Apprentice programs at High schools
 - Focus on infant/toddler care
 - Preschool and after-school care
 - More of a focus on interactions and engagement with children

Families...





LPC Young Children's Issues Forum Panel: **Transitional Kindergarten Family Child Care CA State Preschool/Private Employment & Human Services** Family, Friend, and Neighbor **Child Care Center Care Parent Network**

Moderator: Parent Voices

Collaboration



Communication







Community

Community Services Bureau (CSB) staff and leaders

Variety of choices



California State Preschool (CSPP)

Preschool program run through contracts from the State of California

Cost: Free or low-cost, based on income eligibility & other factors



Head Start

Federally funded preschool

Cost: Free, based on income eligibility



Private

Variety of half-day & full-day	
preschool and childcare	
programs.	

Cost: Fees determined by individual owner/provider. Some have a mix of State, Federal & Private contracts





Transitional Kindergaretn(TK)

Family Child Care

Part of the public elementary school system that takes place the year before Kindergarten Cost: Free, regardless of income Variety of half-day & full-day preschool and child care in a home setting.

Cost: Fees determined by individual owner/provider, some accept subsidy

LPC ACTIONS

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THANK YOU



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"Raising a child is a community endeavor."