



CHILD WELFARE REDESIGN TEAM

**You can
make a big
difference in the
life of a child**



Contra Costa County
CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES

Help **improve** the lives of children in Contra Costa County

Each year, nearly 1,000 children are removed from their homes in Contra Costa County. Many of them may live in your community. While we try, whenever possible, to keep children in their homes and community, we want to do better. So we are joining with others across the country to implement a new and promising practice called Family to Family. To do this, we need your wisdom and your support.

We believe that when community members are involved and support one another, a little time and effort can make a significant impact on the well-being of a child.

We invite you to come and participate.

Each month, meetings are held in each of our District offices. To find out meeting times and locations, call:

East County
(925) 522-7606

Central County
(925) 313-1869

West County
(510) 231-8102



Get involved

Local Business

Your business is an integral part of the community. Reach out and support the community and they will support you. If you are not already involved, now's the time to begin.

- Hire or mentor a foster youth
- Give a foster child a free haircut
- Provide foster parents or caregivers a store discount
- Give a foster parent a free manicure
- Offer your trade skills such as plumbing, electrical, or carpentry two hours per month
- Pay for a day of respite care for a kin caregiver or foster parent
- Lend us a meeting place



Families and Neighbors in the Community

Helping one another builds stronger bonds in the community.

- Become a foster parent
- Mentor a family
- Come to a community meeting
- Bake cookies for an event
- Have a neighborhood meeting at your house
- Start a neighborhood watch in your community
- Provide respite care one day per month
- Call one other person in the community
- Advocate for foster youth at church, clubs and events
- Distribute flyers



Let's come together to make our neighborhoods safer places for children and their families.

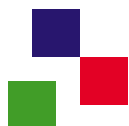
Make a difference



Community Agencies


Community members have counted on your support for a long time. Let's work together to enhance the services in your neighborhood.

- Be a service provider in one of our target areas
- Have a community meeting at your site
- Be part of the Family to Family Team
- Identify volunteers
- Share your expertise with us and interested members of the community
- Mentor a child or a family






Children & Family Services Mission

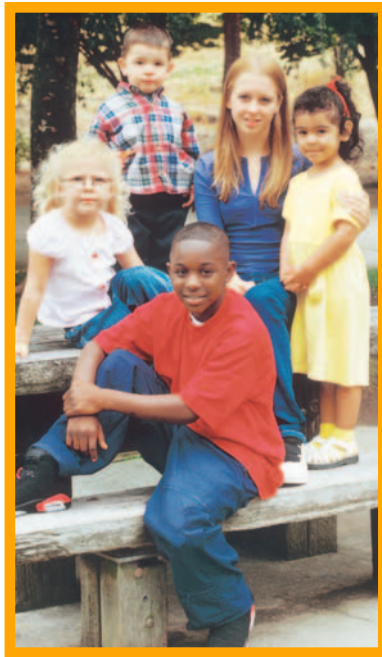


Our mission is to protect children from abuse and neglect and to promote the well-being of children and families.

When children cannot be cared for by their families due to safety issues, we place them with other families in their communities that are willing to make a lifelong commitment to them.

We work in collaboration with the community toward healthy independence for families and their children.





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Join the team!

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