

First 5 Alameda County



Community Grants Initiative Grantee Directory

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Welcome to the Community Grants Initiative Grantee Directory.

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Dear Community Partner,

Inside this directory you will find contact information for the 38 agencies funded by First 5 Alameda County for the 2015-2017 grant term. You will also find a brief description of each organization and the First 5 funded services.

Many of the services are open to the community and welcome referrals. For program-specific information, please visit the Alameda Kids Online Directory at www.alamedakids.org or contact the agency.

We hope that you find this guide useful in referring the children and families you work with to other programs and agencies in Alameda County. We also encourage you to use this information to strengthen and promote the exciting cross-agency service delivery collaboration already taking place throughout the County.

Thank you again for all the wonderful work you do on behalf of the children and families of Alameda County.

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GRANT CATEGORY FUNDING PRIORITIES Awards of up to \$40,000 over 24 months for activities that contribute to any of the First 5 strategic plan outcomes. Community Proposals in this category creatively address unmet **Support Grants** community needs and/or enable organizations to expand their services to include a focus on children ages 0 to 5 and their families. Awards of up to \$130,000 over 24 months for activities that support the First 5 Result Area #2, "Children are prepared for school through quality early learning experiences" and the Neighborhood following First 5 Alameda County Strategic Plan outcomes: **Partnership** Increased access to quality preschool and child care **Grants** settings and to other early learning experiences Smooth transition to kindergarten Awards of up to \$120,000 over 24 months for activities that address the following First 5 Alameda County Strategic Plan outcomes: Improved family functioning: enhanced primary caregiver mental health; improved parent-child attachment; and/or **Targeted Grants** reduced parenting stress Enhanced parent knowledge of child development/school readiness and parent capacity to support their child's development/school readiness



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4C's of Alameda County (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

Community Child Care Council (4C's) of Alameda County is a private non-profit agency that has been offering services to families, children, and child care providers since 1972. Through a contract with the California Department of Education, 4C's provides child care resource and referral services in southern Alameda County. Parents receive individualized child care referrals and information. Child care providers receive technical assistance, resources, and training. We collect and publish data on local child care capacity and needs to help communities plan for child care. 4C's provides child care payment assistance for CalWORKs participants, low-income working families, foster parents, and families needing respite care. We host the Parents Voices Southern Alameda County Chapter. Our Child Health and Nutrition Program provides meal reimbursements and health and nutrition education. In Oakland, 4C's operates Bright Future Learning Center.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Our project is a parent education and support program for Spanish-speaking families in Hayward, San Lorenzo, and San Leandro. Program includes parenting classes, child enrichment activities, and family read nights. ASQ/ASQ:SE screening and referrals are provided. We provide dinner and child care to help families attend.

Abode Services (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

Abode Services believes that everyone should have a home. Every day we provide housing and services to homeless families and individuals in our community as we work to end the cycle of homelessness. Last year, we helped to improve the lives of more than 4,400 people, including 1,200 children, across our programs, offering services in three main areas: emergency shelter for families and individuals at Sunrise Village in Fremont, as well as crisis outreach through our mobile clinic; subsidized housing for formerly homeless households at affordable housing communities and hundreds of scattered-site apartments throughout Alameda and Santa Clara Counties; and supportive services, such as parenting support and children's services, mental health services, financial literacy training, and employment support, to help people remain stably housed and live as independently as possible.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Our services will help the homeless and formerly homeless parents in our Children's Program build the confidence and knowledge they need to support their children's healthy development. This program will offer support/education and respite to parents, while also providing children with services and enrichment.

Alameda County Library (Neighborhood Partnership)

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www.aclibrary.org

Organization Description:

The mission of the Alameda County Library is to offer opportunities and resources for lifelong learning and enjoyment that support individual and community growth. We remain responsive by providing welcoming spaces, outreach, materials, expertise, technology, partnerships, and innovation. Library services are provided in the cities of Albany, Dublin, Fremont, Newark, and Union City and the unincorporated communities of San Lorenzo and Castro Valley. Every year the library serves a diverse community of over 560,000. Additional community based services are provided by the Bookmobile, Write to Read Literacy, Senior Outreach Programs, Juvenile Hall, Camp Wilmont Sweeney, and the County jails. The library also has Pop Up Library Services for Everyone locations throughout the County. Over 220,000 people attended programs last year, and the library circulated almost 7 million items.

The Newark and Union City libraries are both community libraries, with many patrons who use the facility multiple times per week. Both libraries provide weekly story times for English speaking children as well as Homework Centers during the week for K-12 students. All programs available to the public are free. The library partners with many local agencies, and children's staff does outreach to Kidango, Head Start, and the school district.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

We offer a Spanish-language story time and playgroup hour designed to enhance school readiness for Latino children and encourage literacy activities in the home, while situating the Newark and Union City libraries as early literacy hubs in their communities.

Alameda County Public Health

(Community Support Grant)

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Organization Description:

As one of four departments that comprise the county's public health system, Alameda County Public Health Department has four core functions which include: assessment; policy development; response to critical public health situations; and assurance of the delivery of health care to persons who otherwise would not have any. For more than 50 years, Alameda County Public Health Department has worked within this system to improve the health and safety of county residents and the neighborhoods in which they live. We have 600+ employees - public health nurses, doctors, epidemiologists, dentists, medical social workers, physical therapists, dietitians, outreach workers, health educators, program managers, among others - working in four divisions: Community Health Services; Communicable Disease Control & Prevention; Emergency Medical Services; and Family Health Services.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

With First 5 Alameda County funding, Alameda County Public Health Department will expand the current implementation of Boot Camp for New Dads, a peer-based parenting education curriculum that prepares expectant and new fathers to take an active role in their new child's life and development, into high need unincorporated areas in the county.

Asian Community Mental Health Services (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

Asian Community Mental Health Services, a private non-profit agency, was established in 1974 and has since pioneered a community mental health integrated holistic approach with a diverse Asian/Pacific Islander population that is consumerneed driven and with strong partnerships with family and the community. Asian Community Mental Health Services' mission is to provide and advocate for multilingual and multicultural services, empowering the most vulnerable members of our community to lead healthy, contributing, and self-sufficient lives. Today Asian Community Mental Health Services' staff of over 100 provide wrap-around services in over 10 Asian languages and dialects: Burmese, Cambodian, Cantonese, English, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Thai, Khmu, Mandarin, Mien, Tagalog, and Vietnamese.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

The Support for Immigrant Parents Project targets 120 Chinese, Vietnamese, and Burmese parents and their children 0-5 in developmental playgroups and parenting support services. Parents and children will be screened for parent depression and child developmental risks respectively and be linked to appropriate resources.

Asian Health Services (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

Asian Health Services is a federally qualified health center that provides comprehensive culturally and linguistically competent health care to low-income, uninsured, and underinsured Asian and Pacific Islander communities across Alameda County. Asian Health Services provides over 104,000 medical and dental visits to over 24,410 patients annually and is a nationally recognized comprehensive community health center model for serving a primarily low-income, limited English proficient population. Asian Health Services provides a full spectrum of culturally and linguistically-competent health care services for all ages; perinatal services; reproductive health; preventive care services; health education; nutrition counseling; chronic disease management; behavioral health services; senior health care; end-of-life care; HIV prevention and testing; ancillary services such as ultrasounds and x-rays; and eligibility counseling.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

The Perinatal Empowerment Program will improve health and development outcomes for Asian and Pacific Islander children, by providing support to pregnant women and families before, during, and after birth. Perinatal Empowerment Program activities will include linguistically- and culturally-appropriate prenatal classes, labor coach support, and parenting workshops during pregnancy and after birth.

BANANAS, Inc. (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

BANANAS is a child care resource and referral agency located in Oakland serving six Northern Alameda County cities. Our mission: partnering with families and child development professionals to raise happy, confident children is supported by a wide variety of programs and services. We offer free parenting workshops, support groups, and parent education classes throughout the year at our location in Oakland, at child care programs, and CalSAFE sites. We administer alternative payment programs, child care subsidies for low-income families and provide child care referral counseling to families living in our service area, as well as enhanced referrals for parents who have a child with special needs. We support child care providers with free workshops and trainings, reduced cost health and safety trainings, assistance with licensing, setting up child care environments to serve children with special needs, and QRIS coaching.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

BANANAS will continue to support parents in improving their understanding of child development/school readiness through free support groups, workshops, and parent education classes offered in English, Spanish, Chinese, and Vietnamese. We will expand workshops held at family child care sites to include one licensed center, offering additional classes in Chinese.

Bay Area Hispano Institute for Advancement, Inc. (BAHIA)/Centro VIDA (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

The Bay Area Hispano Institute for Advancement Inc. was founded in 1975 to provide bilingual care and education to low income parents in Alameda County with a particular focus on Latino families. Centro VIDA, our flagship program, provides full time care services to children ages 2-5; Bahia School Age Program serves children ages 5-10 years of age part time during the school year and full time during the summer, and all three are located in Berkeley. La Academia de Bahia is a part time, three-hour morning bilingual pre-kindergarten readiness program for 3-4 year olds. Since 2005, La Academia de Centro VIDA has been funded by First Five and is a successful bilingual Saturday pre-kindergarten readiness program located in Fremont. The program serves 40 children ages 3-5 years of age. Bay Area Hispano Institute for Advancement is the only Latino non-profit organization providing a focus on bilingual early to school-age care and education in the county. Bay Area Hispano Institute for Advancement is known for engaging with partners to address the achievement gap and actively participates on many levels to address the disparities in education that have roots in the early years. The unique strengths of Bay Area Hispano Institute for Advancement's programs are placing value on the important relationship between language, culture, learning and community building.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Academia de Bahia provides part-time quality bilingual preschool programming and school readiness in Spanish to children ages 3 to 5 years; 28 classes for children are held in concert with 14 parenting classes in Spanish on site in Fremont on Saturday mornings. Outreach for Academia de Bahia is focused on families with young children in Southern Alameda County who are low income, Latino, and Spanish speaking and/or families that do not have access to early care and education services.

Bay Area Parent Leadership Action Network (PLAN) (Targeted Grant)

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Main Line: (510) 444-7526 www.parentactionnet.org

Organization Description:

Bay Area Parent Leadership Action Network believes that all children deserve a high-quality education, and parents play a key role. Our programs are framed by the value that those affected by issues are most qualified to create the solutions. Bay Area Parent Leadership Action Network has trained and organized hundreds of low-income and immigrant parents throughout the Bay Area to apply constructive pressure for change in their children's schools. We believe parents, along with teachers and other allies, can be a significant force to transform our schools into welcoming, caring communities where all parents can participate and all students can thrive. We offer various pathways for leadership, from year-long leadership development programs focusing on educational equity and parent organizing to bi-weekly parent education meetings. Parents are regarded as experts, collaborators and partners in their children's education and development.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Bay Area Parent Leadership Action Network is expanding opportunities for low-income and immigrant parents in East Oakland to better support their children's school readiness by expanding and tailoring the Parents Ready for School program. Its current program includes collaboration with Bay Area Discovery Museum of Marin, to develop and pilot new workshops focusing on academic and social-emotional school readiness. Bay Area Parent Leadership Action Network will also hold an annual "East Oakland Family Fun and Learning Day" in partnership with community, county and regional early childhood partners to provide school readiness activities and resources.

Better Health East Bay Foundation (formerly Alta Bates Summit Foundation) (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

Better Health East Bay Foundation is a community-based nonprofit hospital providing comprehensive healthcare services to the East Bay's diverse communities. The Better Health East Bay Foundation NICU serves a similarly diverse population of families and fragile infants from within Alameda County and beyond. We strive to accommodate the various needs of families, which range from those who are here for less than a week for a term infant requiring minimal support, to those who are here for months for infants requiring maximal technological interventions to sustain life. Families face stress and anxiety due to the uncertain nature of caring for a medically fragile baby. Our proposed programming provides support to families and babies, so they can move beyond their NICU experience and address identified developmental delays as early as possible.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

The project will maximize efforts to increase parent knowledge/abilities in the areas of healthy child development, parental coping skills/self-care, and access to timely interim and long-term early intervention services. The program provides parent and grandparent education classes, developmental and age appropriate playgroups, infant massage classes, mental health interventions, and individualized developmental support services (physical, occupational, and speech therapies) to children discharged from the NICU.

Brighter Beginnings (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

Brighter Beginnings, formerly the East Bay Perinatal Council, is a non-profit organization serving Alameda and Contra Costa counties. Our mission is to support healthy births and children's successful development by partnering with parents, strengthening families, and helping to build strong communities, because every family matters and every child deserves a happy, healthy future. Brighter Beginnings has grown into a respected and well-connected organization with Family Strengthening Centers in Oakland, Richmond, and Antioch and providing services to vulnerable families for over 30 years. Recognizing the strength in collaborations, Brighter Beginnings is active in multiple place-based and countywide collaboratives with systems leaders and partner agencies in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Brighter Beginnings' Foundation of Fatherhood Program will be a comprehensive program for fathers in Northern Alameda County. Serving fathers and "fatherfigures," the program aims to enhance fathers' knowledge of child development, fathers' role, and increase fathers' knowledge and access to community resources through groups, fatherhood coaching and family outings.

CALICO Center (Child Abuse, Listening, Interviewing & Coordination Center) (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

CALICO (the Child Abuse Listening, Interviewing and Coordination Center) achieves justice and healing for abused children. We achieve justice by bringing together law enforcement officers, child welfare workers, prosecutors, and other professionals to investigate abuse allegations and elicit testimony from children. We use a nationally proven method designed to attain thorough and accurate information while protecting the emotional needs of the victim. We promote healing for victims by coordinating the first and most crucial stages of recovery. Our skilled mental-health clinicians offer guidance, resources and support to help the entire family along the path to physical and mental health and well-being. CALICO's mission is to provide a supportive environment to interview children and facilitate a collaborative response to child abuse in which the needs of children take precedence.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

CALICO aims to improve mental-health outcomes for caregivers of children under 5 years of age who have suffered abuse and neglect and families at-risk of child maltreatment. CALICO staff will provide support services on site and in the weeks and months that follow a child-abuse disclosure to promote positive mental health and healing.

Center for Early Intervention on Deafness (CEID) (Targeted Grant)

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Main Line: (510) 848-4800

www.ceid.org

Organization Description:

In 2015, the Center for Early Intervention on Deafness (CEID) celebrates its 35th Anniversary as a nonprofit organization serving children, birth through 5, who are deaf or hard of hearing and/or have severe speech and language delays. CEID provides educational programs, family navigation, and resource support for families to maximize the development of language (oral and/or sign) and the communication potential of their children. CEID has been recognized as an "exemplary" program by the State of California since 1981. Children 18 months or younger receive home visits by Early Intervention Specialists. Children 18 months through age 5 participate in toddler and preschool classes at CEID's community based Berkeley Center led by credentialed Teachers of the Deaf using sign language and spoken language simultaneously. Over half of CEID students are medically fragile or have significant additional disabilities.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Targeting families with children 0-5 who are deaf or hard of hearing, we will improve family functioning through strengthening social connections, parent competency and family relationships. These families face challenges requiring connections with a community that understands their child's needs. This project establishes Community Family Support Activities and Home Visits.

Central American Refugee Committee

(Community Support Grant)

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Organization Description:

The Central American Committee of the East Bay was founded in 1990 as a self-help grassroots organization by and for refugees fleeing the civil war and persecution in El Salvador. Today, Central American Committee of the East Bay is a formal non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization that serves families residing in Oakland's most empoverished "flatland" neighborhoods including East Oakland, the Fruitvale neighborhood and the San Antonio communities. Over the years, Central American Committee of the East Bay's constituency has expanded to serve Latino immigrants, refugees, and first generation American families as well as low-income African American, Asian and Anglo families. For 25 years, The Central American Committee of the East Bay has served the community with Food Distribution Programs, computer classes/internet access, employment assistance, self and peer education through the "Promotores" health outreach models, health insurance applications, a Youth Program that provides leadership development, an afterschool sports program, exercise and nutrition programs, and family recreational activities. The Central American Committee of the East Bay serves approximately 600 families annually.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

The Central American Committee of the East Bay's Papas en Acción Program will provide social-emotional support to Spanish speaking Latino immigrant fathers and their children (birth to five) residing in Oakland. The program's primary intervention tool is Circle of Security, a relationship based early intervention program designed to enhance attachment security between parents and children.

Children's Physical Therapy Oakland

(Community Support Grant)

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Main Line: (510) 333-4579

Organization Description:

Children's Physical Therapy Oakland (CPTO) is a non-profit agency focused on providing early intervention services--including physical, speech, occupational therapy--for families of children in the Oakland area with developmental, speech, and social-emotional delays. Therapists employed by CPTO have 20+ years of in-home, clinical, and playgroup experience. Activities for interventions are based on a playbased and floor-time approach and importance is placed on parent education and support.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Children's Physical Therapy Oakland will provide twice-monthly developmental playgroups for families with children birth to 5 identified by ASQ and ASQ-SE as being at risk for developmental and socio-emotional delays. The playgroup is a floor-time intervention designed to improve a child's communication, gross and fine motor, problem-solving, and personal/social skills through games and peer-based play.

City of Fremont, Youth and Family Services (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

City of Fremont's Youth and Family Services has a multi-cultural team serving communities that experience poor health and educational outcomes due to poverty, mental illness, substance abuse, language barriers and immigration/acculturation issues. At least 30% of the clients served by Youth and Family Services are children who live below the poverty line, and whose families are struggling with socioeconomic stressors and challenges related to raising children. The agency serves Chinese youth and families through the Bridges to Behavioral Health parenting program to increase access to services and reduce risk of poor outcomes by decreasing stigma around mental illness. The Family Resource Center provides wraparound services such as case management, financial planning, crisis intervention, and linkage to health care services to hundreds of families each year. The agency is a Certified Covered California Enrollment and Spark Point Center and co-locates 25 non-profit and government agencies, including the Afghan Coalition, that provide safety net services for under-represented groups.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Immigrant parents often experience stress as a result of acculturation challenges impacting parent-child relationships and health/educational outcomes. Youth and Family Services -ITP will expand its successful Spanish-parent education program to address the needs of Chinese and Afghan parents, two large immigrant groups in South County who are under-served due to language and cultural barriers.

City Of Oakland - Office Of Parks And Recreation (Neighborhood Partnership)

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Organization Description:

Oakland's recreation program began in 1909 when the Parks and Playground Commissions first met to discuss the City's leisure-related needs. Since then, the Office of Parks and Recreation has developed recreation centers, boating and aquatics programs, and a host of other programs and services.

The Office of Parks and Recreation has a long-standing agreement with Oakland Unified School District for joint use of facilities to better serve youth. The Office of Parks and Recreation holds the largest share of city-owned land resources with 200+facilities on nearly 2,500 acres. It has 22 fully functioning recreation centers, two specialized cultural arts centers, a tennis center, a boating and aquatics center, Inclusion Program, and a science and discovery center.

The Office of Parks and Recreation has a long tradition of enriching the lives of the citizens of Oakland. The department has the oldest operating day camp in the Bay Area (Montclair Feather Hill), founded the first t-ball leagues in the Bay Area with the help of baseball great Joe Morgan, and continues to offer a wide range of activities, classes and programs for residents of all ages.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

The Office of Parks and Recreation will offer a twice weekly play and learn group at Ira Jinkins Recreation Center in East Oakland and Willie Keyes Recreation Center in West Oakland. We will offer fun developmental activities and learning experiences that prepare children and families for structured school environments.

City Slicker Farms (Community Support Grant)

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Organization Description:

City Slicker Farms' mission is to empower low-income community members to meet the basic need for fresh, healthy food by creating sustainable, high-yield urban farms and backyard gardens. Over the past fourteen years City Slicker Farms has gained national recognition as a leader in supporting low-income communities of color to grow food via sustainable agriculture in the city. Together our Backyard Garden, Community Market Farms, and Urban Farming Education programs support more than 200 individual gardens, a weekly farm stand, a productive seedling nursery, and agroecology training programs. Historically City Slicker Farms has served low-income families in West Oakland who face challenges accessing fresh produce locally. Several years ago City Slicker Farms expanded our services to include childcare centers that serve under-resourced communities across Alameda County.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

City Slicker Farms serves childcare centers in low-income neighborhoods by providing food gardens, two years of gardening mentorship, and garden-based curriculum to engage young children. This program exposes underserved children to nutrition education and safe outdoor activities, and increases their consumption of fresh, nutritious fruits and vegetables.

East Bay Agency for Children (Targeted Grant)

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303 Van Buren Avenue, Oakland, CA 94610

Main Line: (510) 534-2170

www.ebac.org

Organization Description:

East Bay Agency for Children's core focus is serving children, youth and families in the East Bay, with a particular commitment, knowledge, and cultural competence in serving children and communities disproportionately impacted by poverty, violence, marginalization, loss of loved ones, and other forms of trauma. East Bay Agency for Children serves 20,000 children and families annually; 95% of people served are low-income and nearly all are limited English proficient, communities of color, newly immigrated, refugees and migrants. East Bay Agency for Children programs are trauma-informed and guided by prevention, recovery, and resilience service strategies that are delivered by multilingual and multicultural staff. Program areas include: student and family support services, specialized therapeutic and educational programs, and community-based prevention programs.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

La Academia is a Kindergarten readiness program of East Bay Agency for Children's Hawthorne Family Resource Center, which since 1992 has enhanced the academic, social, emotional and physical well-being of children and families in East Oakland's Fruitvale District. La Academia provides early literacy, socialization, school readiness, and increased parent capacity to support the development of children and their transition to Kindergarten. Program services focus on under-resourced, Limited English Speaking children and their parents (particularly Mam (indigenous Guatemalan) and Latino families) and are provided in English, Spanish and Mam. La Academia develops the relationship between parent and child, enhances parents' understanding of child development and provides parents with tools to better support their child's school readiness and success.

East Bay Community Law Center

(Community Support Grant)

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Organization Description:

The East Bay Community Law Center provides free legal services to low-income individuals, families, and neighborhoods. We are the largest provider of legal services for disadvantaged people in the East Bay, having assisted over 80,000 clients since our inception in 1988. We provide technical assistance, legal counsel and advice, case representation and case management, legal information, and referrals. Our model is community-based, multimodal, collaborative, and holistic. The services East Bay Community Law Center provides are designed to meet the broad legal and social service needs of our low-income clients and their family members in five program areas: Economic Security & Opportunity, Housing, Health & Welfare, Immigration, and Education, Defense & Justice for Youth.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

With an aim to improve health outcomes for young children with developmental, social-emotional, and medically-related vulnerabilities in low income families, East Bay Community Law Center partners with Early Intervention Services, a program of UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland in an innovative Medical-Legal Partnership. East Bay Community Law Center attorneys collaborate with the medical team to address social factors that impact the ability of families to provide a safe, stable environment in which children have the best possible chance at healthy development.

Hayward Area Recreation And Park District

(Neighborhood Partnership)

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Organization Description:

The Hayward Area Recreation and Park District is an independent special use district. We provide park and recreation services for over 250,000 residents living within a 64 square-mile area which includes the City of Hayward, Castro Valley, San Lorenzo and the unincorporated Ashland, Cherryland, and Fairview districts. Since its creation in 1944, the mission of the Park District is improving the quality of life for citizens of all ages by providing a variety of recreational activities, special events, facilities and services that encourage life-long learning, fitness and fun.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Our program serves children 3-5 years old and their families who reside in the Ashland/Cherryland area. The program includes Pre-K classes, parent education nights, and scholarship funds to help low income families send their children to preschool.

Intertribal Friendship House

(Community Support Grant)

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Organization Description:

Intertribal Friendship House established in 1955 in Oakland as one of the first urban American Indian community centers in the nation, was founded by the American Friends Service Committee to serve the needs of American Indian people relocated from reservations. The mission of Intertribal Friendship House is to promote the ability of Native people to thrive in an urban environment through ceremony, traditions and cultural connection, to provide a safe environment to strengthen cultural identity, promote health, inter-generational healing, and support the development of extended family. Intertribal Friendship House serves Native families that represent more than 100 tribes. We offer a variety of family programs, activities, and events that provide cultural connection and strengthen families. Many of the families Intertribal Friendship House serves are the fourth generation of those who came here on relocation. In addition to the programs, events, and activities Intertribal Friendship House provides resources and support to families in need of housing, food, legal support, ICWA, and education information.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Our Parent-Child Education Support program will offer an integrated approach to culturally appropriate family literacy and child development. We provide Native American families with children 0-5 years of age with support, parenting resources, parent education with a focus on parent-child bonding, and school readiness.

Jewish Family and Children's Services of the East Bay (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

Rooted in the values of compassionate action and communal responsibility, Jewish Family and Children's Services of the East Bay is a nonprofit agency that has been delivering vital mental health and social services to Alameda and Contra Costa county individuals and families for 138 years. Providing services to people across all ages, races, religions, and cultures, Jewish Family and Children's Services of the East Bay's long tradition of caring directly impacts the lives of more than 8,000 East Bay residents each year. Jewish Family and Children's Services of the East Bay provides services in three main program areas: Parenting & Youth Services, Refugee & Immigrant Services, and Adult Services. Woven throughout all these service areas is our Volunteer Program, which actively trains and matches volunteers with isolated seniors, children needing tutors and mentors, and refugees and immigrants needing help learning English and acculturating to the United States. Our organization has also been extremely active in policy and advocacy efforts in building a comprehensive, coordinated, family-driven, culturally sensitive system of care for children and families zero to five in Alameda County.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

This program provides family support and treatment services to mothers and young children at one residential recovery program, two emergency shelters, and one safe house. Such on-site services are proven strategies for early intervention and for helping families build resilience and improve functioning. We provide Circle of Security training groups for mothers; we screen children from birth to 5 years old using the A&SQ and the A&SQ-SE and make referrals if needed; we provide parent-child psychotherapy when appropriate.

Lawrence Hall Of Science (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

The Lawrence Hall of Science is the public science center of UC Berkeley. Lawrence Hall of Science is a resource for children, parents, and educators seeking to improve their understanding of and engagement in science and mathematics.

Lawrence Hall of Science serves over 175,000 children and their families annually through school workshops, after school classes, summer camps, and public programs. Many experiences in the science center are designed for an early childhood audience where young children can use their natural curiosity to interact with hands-on exhibits and investigate interesting objects and materials, including friendly animals in the Animal Discovery Room. Preschool programs encourage play, investigation, and guided discovery through age-appropriate and multisensory learning, and are available at the Hall or at your site (contact the Registration Office or visit the website for details).

More than a museum, Lawrence Hall of Science is also a center for educational research and a leader in providing professional development to teachers. Lawrence Hall of Science has developed major nationally recognized science and math curriculum programs, including a collection of early childhood instructional guides and materials. Through workshops, college courses, and summer institutes, Lawrence Hall of Science provides support and training to early childhood teachers and parents in using these tools to successfully teach science to young children.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

The Lawrence Hall of Science will collaborate with Lotus Bloom Family Resource Center and UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland to make developmentally appropriate, play-based science experiences available to high-need families in established playgroup settings. Project components: parent-child classes, take-home materials, parent education, provider trainings, and Lawrence Hall of Science field trips.

Lighthouse Community Charter School

(Community Support Grant)

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Organization Description:

Lighthouse Community Charter School's mission is to prepare a diverse student population for college and career of their choice. The school accomplishes this mission by maintaining a focus on five tenets: 1) holding all students to high expectations, 2) providing rigorous, college-prep K–12 education programs and curriculum, 3) creating programs to foster the social, emotional, and physical development of children and youth, 4) involving families, and 5) creating a professional community of learners.

In addition to providing a rigorous school day program, Lighthouse also provides free after school programming, social and emotional counseling, organic meal programs, family education programs, and sports and other enrichment activities for its students and families.

With modest beginnings of serving 92 students in a storefront on Telegraph, our public, tuition-free school has expanded year after year, now serving 750 students in grades K–12 with long waiting lists at every grade level.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Lighthouse Community Charter School is thrilled to deepen our pre-K engagement through our summer program and parent/caregiver engagement activities. For this project, roughly 75 children and their caregivers will access resources to prepare them for Kindergarten, many of whom are without prior early childhood education or preschool experiences.

Livermore Area Recreation and Park District Preschool Programs (Neighborhood Partnership)

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Organization Description:

The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District is a multifaceted agency that was created in 1947 by a vote of the public. It provides recreation and parks for the 245 square-mile area bounded by Contra Costa County to the north, San Joaquin County to the east, Santa Clara County to the south and the cities of Pleasanton and Dublin to the west. Our Mission is: "To provide the people of this area with an outstanding system of parks, recreation area and facilities. Provide recreation programs that will stimulate, educate and enrich the lives of people within the District". The Youth and Senior Services Division is an integral part of the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District. We serve over 1600 participants daily ranging in ages from 3 months to 100+. Livermore Area Recreation and Park District offers preschool at 6 locations throughout Livermore, before and after school programs at ten elementary schools and four middle schools, a variety of summer programs and a diversity of enrichment classes and trips for seniors.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Play: It's just not for kids! Our Play to Learn program is a parent child program where children learn the routines of preschool with the comfort of a parent/care giver. Play connects us to each other, supercharges our learning and makes us feel happy. Parents and caregivers will find new activities to share with their children, enjoy informative adult conversation and learn about resources available in the community. The Play to Learn program is for children between the ages of 2 and 3 ½ years old and takes place on Tuesdays and Thursdays for 2.5 hours.

Luna Dance Institute (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

Luna Dance Institute, formerly known as Luna Kids Dance, brings creativity, equity, and community to every child's life through the art of dance. Luna uses active inquiry to deepen the learning experience of children and adults, improve teaching practice and build high quality arts programs. Our programs focus on low API schools, immigrant families, and children with special needs. Luna's Professional Learning and Model Programs (School & Community Alliances, MPACT and Studio Lab) work in tandem to explore the confluence of neuroscience (the brain), literacy (communication), creativity (play), and relationships (community) - all connected through the moving body. Our programs provide dance access for all children regardless of socio-economic status, body type or ability, native language, or race/ethnicity.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Moving Parents and Children Together, a project established in 2001, supports parent-child attachment through relationship-based dance classes and embodied parent education. Services include classes at residential centers, social services agencies, ECE centers, and public libraries; and professional education and training through internships.

Mujeres Unidas y Activas (Community Support Grant)

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Organization Description:

Mujeres Unidas y Activas is a grassroots organization of Latina immigrant women with a double mission of promoting personal transformation and building community power for social and economic justice. Mujeres Unidas y Activas provides culturally competent educational classes focused on parenting skills, mental health, and family violence prevention so that Latina immigrant mothers become healthier and stronger, and more capable of creating healthier relationships with their children. Over 90% of the women who come to Mujeres Unidas y Activas are mothers and we have focused specifically on helping mothers/childcare providers understand child development 0 - 5 for the last seven years.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Mujeres Unidas Y Activas will provide culturally competent support counseling services and offer educational classes focused on parenting skills, mental health, family violence prevention and leadership development so that Latina immigrant mothers become healthier and stronger, and thus be more capable of creating healthier relationships with their children.

Our Family Coalition (Community Support Grant)

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Organization Description:

Our Family Coalition advances equity for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer families with children through support, education and advocacy. Each year we reach more than 800 LGBTQ families, directly serving 3,500 people and enriching the lives of thousands more. Our Family Coalition supports LGBTQ families by facilitating parent-child playgroups; building early literacy; improving parenting skills through peer groups and workshops; organizing community-building events; training parents to advocate for safe and welcoming environments for their children and families; producing effective public education and outreach materials; and building the cultural competency of institutions serving families with young children. In the past year, Our Family Coalition organized more than 175 events for families and providers. Our Family Coalition's institutional change work ensures that early childhood educators and providers have the information and resources they need to support all families in creating welcoming and inclusive school and healthcare settings that promote optimal child development.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Our Family Coalition will provide Alameda County lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer families with young children with vital peer support, educational workshops, community-strengthening activities, and parent-child interactive activities that enhance parent knowledge of healthy child development, strengthen parent-child relationships, reduce isolation, and build on the collective impact of available services.

REACH Ashland Youth Center

(Community Support Grant)

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Organization Description:

The REACH Ashland Youth Center is a project of the Center for Healthy Schools and Communities within the Alameda County Health Care Services Agency. REACH, located in central, unincorporated Alameda County, opened its doors in May of 2013 and has registered over 3500 members ages 11-24 in the 2 years since it opened. REACH is a beacon of hope in an often bleak landscape of poverty, violence, and crime. Programming is organized around the name of the center: Recreation —led by the Deputy Sheriffs' Activities League and Alameda County Sheriff's Office; Education—led by the San Lorenzo Unified School District; Art & Creativity —led by the Alameda County Arts Commission; Career & Employment —led by a local non-profit, Soulciety; and Health & Wellness—led by Alameda County Health Care Services Agency for behavioral health care and La Clinica de la Raza managing the Fuente Clinic for primary health and dental care.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Through education and support, this program will empower pregnant and parenting teens in the Ashland neighborhood and its surrounding communities to become educated and successful mothers by making informed decisions for themselves and their babies.

Ruby's Place (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

Ruby's Place is a non-profit agency in Hayward that has provided shelter and supportive services since 1972 for women and children who experience domestic violence, homelessness, and human trafficking. Our vision is safe and stable families, one person at a time. Ruby's Place offers a no-fee 42-bed emergency shelter, 24-hour crisis line, case management, therapy, children's program, life skills classes, domestic violence support group, supportive transitional housing, prevention outreach services, and education and training to the community. Ruby's Place's emergency shelter services are based on a trauma informed care model and evidence based practices.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

This project will serve families with children ages 0 to 5 who have fled domestic violence, human trafficking, and homelessness. Services will be provided to families demonstrating impaired functioning related to trauma. Services will improve family functioning and parent-child attachment and enhance capacity of shelter staff to help support families.

Safe Alternatives to Violent Environments

(Community Support Grant)

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Organization Description:

Safe Alternatives to Violent Environments' mission is to strengthen every individual and family we serve with the knowledge and support needed to break the cycle of abuse and build healthier lives. For more than 38 years Safe Alternatives to Violent Environments has pursued this mission by delivering a continuum of services including: 24-Hour Crisis Hotline; referrals, and crisis intervention; Emergency shelter; Jobs/Housing Linkages; a McKinney funded collaborative of six mid-Alameda County shelter providers offering tenant-based subsidized housing and support services to victims of domestic violence and their children as they move toward self-sufficiency; Counseling and Children's Services; Community Services that impart prevention and intervention through medical outreach and advocacy, community education, legal assistance, Teen Dating Violence Prevention Programs, and Temporary Restraining Order clinics.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Through our Empowerment Center, we will provide parenting classes, children's activity classes, and mental health screenings to women and children who have been victims of domestic violence. Program activities are designed to increase maternal mental health, enhance maternal knowledge of child development, and improve maternal-child attachment.

San Leandro Public Library

(Neighborhood Partnership)

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Organization Description:

The San Leandro Public Library is a key community resource designed to meet the diverse needs and interests of San Leandro residents. Our goals are to provide the community with an abundance of books, magazines, DVDs and other materials; support the community's educational goals; and build community through programs for children, teens and adults. Additionally, we assist in maintaining the city's rich historical heritage, as well as promoting cultural arts.

We provide materials in many languages and format, and we offer resources and services online through our digital branch. We offer hundreds of programs each year, including story times, book clubs, computer classes, cultural celebrations, informational workshops, and much more.

The recreation division is responsible for providing programs and services that bring people together, foster human development, promote health and wellness, increase cultural unity, and provide recreational experiences for people of all ages.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

The City of San Leandro's Public Library and Recreation Department partner to offer weekly free, drop-in Spanish-language storytimes for babies and toddlers up to age three, low-cost Play & Learn preschool programs for kids ages 19 months to five years, Saturday drop-in play at Halcyon Park, and monthly parent education sessions on a variety of topics from child development to registering for Kindergarten.

Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

(Community Support Grant)

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Organization Description:

The Superior Court of Alameda County is committed to ensuring equal access to court services and enhancing public confidence in the court system. The Court's Unified Family Court Division is dedicated to improving the quality of justice and providing services to meet the diverse needs of children and families who come before the court.

Family Court Division staff are mental health specialists who assess the needs of children in the care of separated and/or divorced parents. Family Court Division staff identifies treatment and educational needs for each family and recommend to the Court referrals to community services including supervised visitation, domestic violence and anger management classes, and parenting classes.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

This project will fund supervised visitation for children under age five providing safe access to parents involved in legal matters relating to child physical or sexual abuse, child neglect, or domestic violence.

Tandem (formerly Raising A Reader, San Francisco and Alameda Counties) (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

Tandem programs support families to read with their young children from birth by providing access to high quality, age- and culturally-appropriate, multilingual children's books; training for parents; and meaningful support for early childhood educators in elementary, preschool, and childcare settings, with programming in local community venues as well. The books themselves are just the beginning - a way for children and families to develop early literacy skills, forge strong family bonds, and explore the world around them. In order to get the maximum benefit from each book shared, every adult who has regular, meaningful interaction with a child should have access to the same tools as a well-trained educator. To that end, we provide the adults who care for these children with resources, guidance, and meaningful support to overcome common barriers such as low adult literacy levels and home language. As an evidence-based early literacy intervention we provide comprehensive programming that supports families and educators so that each child can reach their full potential.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

Tandem will engage 1,000 parents in early literacy training through 80 community-based workshops and events. Tandem will leverage relationships with agencies currently serving families both inside ECE and in the wider community and reach deeply into neighborhoods by training Tandem parents to deliver services directly to families within their informal networks.

Through the Looking Glass (Targeted Grant)

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Organization Description:

Through the Looking Glass grew from the disability civil rights movement and is the most experienced disability culture-based organization providing early intervention to enhance the potential of children and families with disabilities. Through the Looking Glass has been nationally and internationally recognized for its pioneering "family driven" services, resources and research in support of families with a disability in parent or child. Approximately 80% of Through the Looking Glass' staff has personal or family disability experience. Since its founding in 1982, Through the Looking Glass has blended infant mental health, family therapy/support, and parent education approaches with disability solutions and adaptations, serving families when a baby, child, parent, or parenting grandparent has disability, medical or developmental issues.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

This project will provide "family-driven" home-based infant/early childhood preventive mental health, family support and parenting education, developmental services and disability adaptations/ resources for children and families with disability, medical/health or developmental issues who are "falling through the cracks" of the intervention system. Expectant mothers with disabilities receive pregnancy consultations and parents with disabilities are provided adaptive baby care equipment and techniques tailored to their disability issues.

Tri-Valley Haven for Women (Community Support Grant)

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Main Line: (925) 449-7889 www.trivalleyhaven.org

Organization Description:

Founded in 1977, Tri-Valley Haven is the premier provider of shelter and support services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, homelessness and hunger. What began as a crisis hotline run out of a founding Board Member's garage, the Haven has grown to be the most comprehensive safety net program in the Tri-Valley. Today our programs include: Shiloh, our 30 bed domestic violence safe house, 24/7 crisis hotline for domestic violence and sexual assault, Rape Crisis Center, Violence Prevention Education, Legal Clinic, Individual and Group Therapy, Sojourner House 16 Bed Family Shelter, Food Pantry, Parenting Program and most recently a Thrift Store. Notably, both our shelters are the only shelters locally that allow teen boys to stay with their families, and our family shelter is the only local shelter to admit two parent families as well as single fathers with their children.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

The Parents-Creating-Change program will provide parenting classes at our shelters and individual sessions for community clients. Classes will include topics on nutrition, scheduling and the importance of play, the dangers of secondhand smoke, children's development, and creating/ maintaining healthy boundaries. ASQ screening will be offered to all eligible clients.

UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland

(Targeted Grant)

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Main Line: (510) 428-3408 www.childrenshospital.org

Organization Description:

Since 1912 Children's Hospital Oakland has provided high quality health care, research and training. In 2014, Children's affiliated and became part of the UCSF Benioff Children's Hospitals. Providing primary care, specialty services, and community based health care to many children throughout Northern California, Children's remains committed to its mission to serve the underserved. 70% of the children receiving health care at Children's are on Medi-Cal, therefore living in poverty. The Early Intervention Services Programs at Children's began serving the most vulnerable young children in Alameda County over 35 years ago. With an operating budget of \$7,000,000 and over 10 programs, Early Intervention Services continues to provide integrated medical, developmental and mental health support, treatment and intervention to over 800 young children and their families each year, and also provides training and consultation to service providers working with young children throughout California.

Description of First 5 Alameda County funded services:

The Integrated Developmental Playgroup Program incorporates parent-child play, developmental intervention and education, and parenting support, to address the core pillars of Strengthening Families for young children with emerging delays and their Spanish-speaking immigrant parents living in or near the Jackson Triangle Neighborhood of Hayward.

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