

# 2025-2026 (Fall Winter)

## THE RESOURCE CONNECTION

### CHILD CARE RESOURCE AND REFERRAL

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Professional Development Workshops and Trainings

"We see how Early Childhood experiences are so important to lifelong outcomes, how the early environment literally becomes embedded in the brain and changes its architecture."

-- ANDREW S. GARNER



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The Resource Connection Child Care Resource & Referral is a local public non-profit organization that provides a variety of child care resources and services to families and child care providers in Amador and Calaveras Counties.

### **SERVICES WE OFFER**

**Resource & Referral (R&R)** program provides free child care referrals to licensed Family Child Care Homes, Centers, and License-Exempt Centers.

**Alternative Payment (AP)** The Resource Connection Child Care Resource & Referral Services administers several subsidy programs to help eligible families pay for child care services while they work, look for work, attend school or recover from incapacity. The Resource Connection's child care subsidy programs provide full or partial provider reimbursements for child care services. Providers must meet general qualifications in order to receive reimbursement for families served by The Resource Connection programs.

**Public Trustline** is a registry for unlicensed providers. TrustLine is an effective tool for parents to check the backgrounds of babysitters, nannies, tutors, and in-home counselors to determine whether an applicant has criminal convictions or substantiated child abuse reports in California.

**The Child Care Initiative Project (CCIP)** is a quality improvement program designed to increase the quality and supply of licensed child care available to the public. The program recruits, trains and supports potential and existing licensed family child care providers to help meet the demand for quality child care services as well as health and safety practices. Professional development activities include workshops, technical assistance, incentives, networking opportunities, and assistance with the licensing process.

### **Emergency Bridge**

The Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children is designed to provide temporary child care and supportive services to foster families. This program aims to stabilize these families by offering immediate child care solutions while they establish long-term arrangements.

**Workshops** are designed for anyone interested in child care, child development, and professional development. The classes are open to Family Child Care Providers & their assistants, Child Care center staff, Teachers, Aides, and Program Directors, anyone working with children or interested in becoming a Family Child Care Provider, Family, Friends and Neighbors (FFN), and Parents.

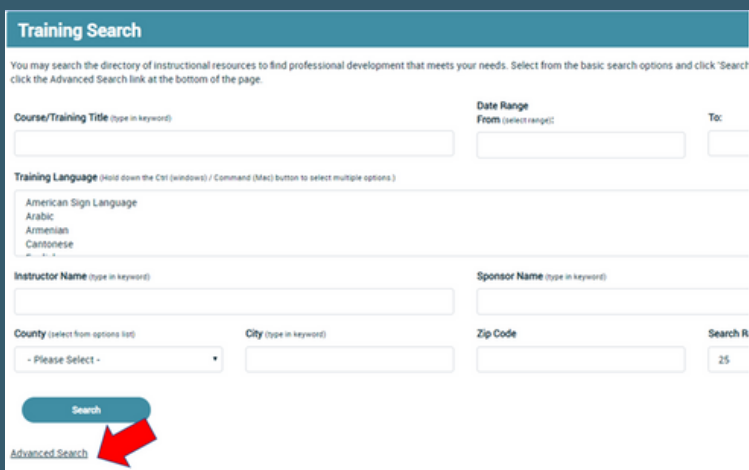
**Grandparents Respite Program** for Amador County Grandparents who are raising their grandchildren. Are you a grandparent raising a grandchild? This program can help you with respite child care. This respite program is designed to provide temporary relief for the grandparents from the ongoing responsibilities of caring for their grandchild. The Resource Connection can pay for up to 16 hours of licensed child care, per child, per month.

**Calaveras Child Care Council** is contracted under The Resource Connection, Resource & Referral. These Councils determine local community child care needs and partner with the community to promote the early care and education of children. Public meetings are held monthly.

The Resource Connection Child Care Resource & Referral Programs are funded by the California Department of Social Services, the Amador & Calaveras Department of Human Services, and other grants, and community contributions.

# Workshop Registration Procedure

1. From the Registry homepage, click on the "Training Calendar" in the lower left hand corner or when logged in, go to the left-hand navigation bar.
2. You can use the search features to find trainings in your county, city, or for example, in the language you would like (see image below).
3. Only enter one or two fields, like county or date, to get broader search results. If you search by zip code, you must include a search radius or you will get "No Results".
4. Once you find the training you will be prompted to log in to your Registry account before you are able to enroll in the training.
5. For Online Trainings, go to "Advanced Search" (at the bottom of the Training Calendar search page), then select Training Type dropdown menu, and select Web-based trainings.



The screenshot shows the 'Training Search' form. At the top, it says 'You may search the directory of instructional resources to find professional development that meets your needs. Select from the basic search options and click "Search" or click the Advanced Search link at the bottom of the page.' The form includes fields for 'Course/Training Title', 'Date Range' (From and To), 'Training Language' (with a list: American Sign Language, Arabic, Armenian, Cantonese), 'Instructor Name', 'Sponsor Name', 'County' (a dropdown menu), 'City', 'Zip Code', and a 'Search Radius' (set to 25). A blue 'Search' button is at the bottom left, and a red arrow points to the 'Advanced Search' link below it.

## What if I think the training should be listed but I can not find it?

- Trainings will only show up if the training organization has published the training. You can contact the training organization directly if, for example, no trainings show up in your county.
- The Registry is a database (and is not like a Google search) you must enter the information correctly.
- The Registry is required by state-funded training organizations, not all agencies are required to use the Registry.
- Make sure there is an Event ID on the link you are trying to use. If not, contact the Registry for assistance.
- If you searched for DRDP, CPIN, or Quality Counts (QC) these may not be included in the training name.
- You can "Chat" (on the Registry website, see lower right hand corner) during business hours and we can help you find your training.



# ADULT, CHILD & INFANT AND PEDIATRIC FIRST AID TRAINING

The Resource Connection Child Care Resource & Referral will be offering In - Person Pediatric CPR Classes. Classes are held at 8085 Suite G Hwy 26. Mokelumne Hill 95245

**Check our events page for upcoming  
CPR training dates!**



This 8-hour course is CPR – Adult, Child & Infant and Pediatric First Aid training designed specifically for California State Licensed Child Care Providers and people seeking Child Care licensing in the State of California to satisfy the State requirement for 8 hours of special training in CPR & pediatric first aid that includes extra topics required by the State of California EMS Authority. Satisfies Title 22 requirements for CPR & First Aid Training's requirements for Child Care Providers.



**Please call Karen (209) 754-1075 for  
Registration information**

# Health & Safety

Reimbursement is available now!



CPR/First Aid & Health/Safety Training Reimbursement Eligibility: Licensed center-based staff, family child care providers, and license-exempt providers.

Qualifying Training: EMSA-approved CPR/First Aid or Health & Safety courses completed between July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.

*Apply  
Now* ➤

Use link below or call Karen Frazier  
for more information, (209) 754-1075

<https://form.jotform.com/251735262324150>

“The beautiful thing about learning is that nobody can take it away from you.” - B.B. King

**October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 6 pm-8 pm ~ In-Person**

**Little Hands, Big Words- Sign Language for  
Infants & Toddlers**

Learn over 100 essential ASL signs. Explore songs, stories, and games that make learning fun. Discover how to help children communicate before they speak. Gain tools to reduce frustration and boost early language development.

Leave with practical strategies and colorful visuals for everyday use. This workshop will be held at Amador First 5 - 975 Broadway Jackson



**November 5th 2025, 6 pm-8 pm ~ In-Person**

**Embrace The Mess: A process Art Workshop for  
Early Childhood Educators**

Ever wonder how to move beyond cookie-cutter crafts? This workshop is for you! We'll dive into the world of process art—where the focus is on creative exploration, not a perfect final product. Experience a variety of hands-on, sensory-rich art activities designed for preschoolers. You'll learn the "why" behind the method, gain practical tips for facilitating creative play, and discover how to beautifully display those many, many masterpieces. Leave inspired with a toolkit of lesson plans, book pairings, and art supplies. This workshop will be held

at Gold Country Art Spot - 1423  
Hawver Road San Andreas. Limit 18



**Tuesday, December 9th, 2025 6pm-8pm ~ ZOOM**

### **Taxes with Fred Kenyon**

Learn how to gain a greater deduction on your upcoming tax return! As a child care provider, your tax return is more complex than that of the average business owner, and there may be some rules and deductions you are missing. We invite you to come with questions!

Learning Objectives: Federal Meal Allowances, reimbursement vs. tax deductions, Benefits of recording your business use of home, Time-Space %

- What you need to know, Benefits of the new Tax Law, Business use of your vehicle, Much, much more!



**January 20th & 27th 2026 & February 3rd & 10th, 2026**

### **Family Child Care Fundamentals**

This 4-week series will provide you with a solid foundation to start and run a successful and professional Family Child Care Business.

Topics include:

- Design your unique program, activities, and curriculum
- Create your best environment and market your business
- Contracts, Policies, and Communication
- Business Finances and Taxes



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Resource Empowering Communities  
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# CHILD CARE INITIATIVE PROJECT

The Child Care Initiative Project (CCIP) is a free training and support program for individuals who are starting a family child care business and for existing providers.



Assistance with completing the application and support through the licensing process. Help preparing for your licensing visit.



Business planning and curriculum development. 1:1 Coaching: Personalized support to navigate licensing, marketing, or quality standards.



Incentives Available!

- Reimbursement for licensing requirements & equipment costs
- Quality learning materials

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Training topics may include:

- Child Development/Learning Environments
- Preventive Health and other Health Related Topics
- Inclusive Settings and Caring for Children with Special Needs
- Observation, Screening, and Assessment
- Leadership, Professionalism, Administration, and Supervision
- Family and Community Engagement
- Business of Family Child Care



**Care. Connect. Grow.**  
Strengthening California's Home-Based Child Care  
**CCIP** Child Care Initiative Project

# Complete your professional journey in Early Childhood Education today!



## About Us

Through Quality Counts California (QCC) efforts, The Resource Connection Child Care Resource and Referral plays a pivotal role in enhancing the quality of early childhood workforce pathways in Calaveras & Amador County by supporting providers actively employed in the early learning sector.

## Our Mission

The Resource Connection's mission is to engage families, enrich lives, and empower communities by providing essential resources and support in Amador and Calaveras Counties.

## Participants

**Funding is for Calaveras County Early Learning Providers**

- ✓ Head Start Staff
- ✓ Private Preschool Staff
- ✓ Local Family Child Care Providers
- ✓ State Preschool Staff
- ✓ License-Exempt Providers

## Financial Support for Tuition and Books

ELC professionals can request assistance for their early childhood education-related educational expenses.

Funding is available until no longer available and/or May 31, 2026

## Academic Education Stipends

Stipends ranging from \$400 to \$900 for completing coursework within or related to early childhood education and/ or renewing, maintaining or upgrading their Child Development Permit.

## Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential Stipend

Professionals who earn a CDA credential can receive a \$300.

## Culturally Diverse Books and Materials

Attendees of dual-language workshops will receive culturally diverse books or materials.

## ECE Mentorship Program

Participants in mentor programs at local colleges can receive up to a \$500 stipend upon completion of 1,000 hours of on-the-job training.

## Expanding License to Include Toddler, Infants, and/or Overnight and Weekend Care

Stipend amounts will vary.

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**Complete the  
application  
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**Child must be  
present at the  
appointment!**

# Amador QUALITY FOR KIDS

Supporting the Best Early Care & Education for Our Children

Are you a preschool teacher, childcare, or family, friend, or neighbor (FFN) provider?

Sign up today for Quality for Kids to earn some amazing incentives as you grow in the field of early childhood.

## Incentives Include:



Participation in ongoing campaigns



Early childhood education and safety classes



Learning opportunities-online, in-person, etc.



Professional development hours

Learn about all the incentives and opportunities you can earn while participating in Quality for Kids, along with exciting NEW incentives added this year!

For more information call Aimee at  
(209)257-1092 or email  
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### Our Partners

**The Resource Connection**  
Engaging Families  
Empowering Communities  
Enriching Lives

A M A D O R  
**College C3NNECT**

**Amador Child Care Council**  
Amaeor State Preschool

**FIRST5 AMADOR**



**First 5 Calaveras Sponsored Services available to  
Strong Start enrolled Family Child Care Providers  
(FCCP), Friends Family Neighbors (FFN)  
& Private Child Care Centers**

**\* Social Emotional Development Coaching**- on-site coaching and support with social and emotional observations, environments, expectations and resources.

**\* Metta Services**- provides “free” mental health trauma informed services to children and families ages 0-5 that are not currently attending mental health services.

**\* Ready Rosie** – a free educational app – with modeled moments designed to bring valuable lessons into real life situations in an engaging way for everyone.

**\* Ready for Kindergarten** – booklets all about preparedness and options for tk/k in Calaveras County.

**\* ASQ** – Ages and Stages early childhood assessment and developmental tracking tool.

**Strong Start Enrollment – Quality Improvement Plan and Professional Development Stipends.**

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