Essential Workers searching for child care can connect with Child Care Resource and Referral (R&R) agencies to find care

The Alameda County Resource and Referral agencies are serving essential workers (see list on next page), connecting them with child care during the coronavirus (COVID19) situation. Limited funding may be available to support the costs of care for eligible essential workers.

If you are an essential worker looking for child care, please call your local R&R or click on the Child Care Request Form link below to submit your child care needs. Please be advised that if you call and reach a voicemail, do leave a message and someone will return your call. R&R staff are actively checking voicemail messages.

Please note: By State Order child care facilities can remain open only for children of parents working in essential sectors. Refer to the Alameda County Public Health Department's COVID-19 website for additional information on this order.

Once you complete the form, staff from one of the R&Rs, BANANAS, 4Cs, or Hively will contact you.

Child Care Request Form

As of April 14th, 2020
The State Order includes the following list of essential businesses (please see full list from the Order):

1. Healthcare Operations and Essential Infrastructure;
2. Grocery stores, certified farmers’ markets, farm and produce stands, supermarkets, food banks, convenience stores, and other establishments engaged in the retail sale of canned food, dry goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet supplies, fresh meats, fish, and poultry, and any other household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products);
3. Food cultivation, including farming, livestock, and fishing;
4. Businesses that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals;
5. Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services;
6. Gas stations and auto-supply, auto-repair, and related facilities;
7. Banks and related financial institutions;
8. Hardware stores;
9. Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences, Essential Activities, and Essential Businesses;
10. Businesses providing mailing and shipping services, including post office boxes;
11. Educational institutions—including public and private K-12 schools, colleges, and universities—for purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided that social distancing of six-feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible;
12. Community-based government operations and essential functions, including critical government workers, the Courts, and county workers responsible for safety net benefits;
13. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers;
14. Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but only for delivery or carry out;
15. Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home;
16. Businesses that supply other essential businesses with the support or supplies necessary to operate;
17. Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, goods or services directly to residences;
18. Airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers providing transportation services necessary for Essential Activities and other purposes expressly authorized in this Order;
19. Home-based care for seniors, adults, or children;
20. Residential facilities and shelters for seniors, adults, and children;
21. Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities; and
22. Childcare facilities providing services that enable employees exempted in this Order to work as permitted.

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