

2024 Annual Report

Children's Home Society of California

Celebrating

50 Years

of **Child Care and
Development
Services**



Children's Home Society of California (CHS) has a long history of supporting California families.

CHS has been a leader in providing quality services to families and child care providers, ensuring families have access to affordable and dependable child care. Our programs help families find and pay for child care, and provide free educational materials and workshops on early learning and child development topics, as well as valuable resources and support services to families and child care providers. Founded as an adoption agency, CHS launched its first child care and development programs in 1974. *This year, we are celebrating 50 years of providing child care and development services in California.*

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Our Mission

The mission of CHS is to reach out to children and families at risk with a range of services that ensure every child the opportunity to develop within a safe, healthy, and secure environment.





Douglas G. Schultz



Beverly Tidwell

Over the past 50 years, our Early Learning and Education Programs have provided child care assistance for an estimated 190,000 families and 400,000 children, including nearly 1.2 million days of care.

Message from the Chair of the Board of Directors and the President and Chief Executive Officer

We are pleased to present the Children’s Home Society of California (CHS) Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Report. This year marks a tremendous milestone for CHS – *Celebrating 50 Years of Child Care and Development Services*. CHS was founded over 133 years ago by Dr. Jesse R. and Mrs. Elizabeth Townsend, who believed all children deserved a loving home and family. Although initially an adoption agency established to fulfill the Townsend’s early mission, CHS’s focus over the years has adapted to meet the changing needs of families.

Fifty years ago, CHS recognized that families were facing a new challenge. There was a growing need for affordable child care outside of the home that would support parents and caregivers in maintaining steady employment, continuing their education, or meeting other family needs. In 1974, CHS launched its first child care program in San Diego with a budget of only \$35,000. This program, in partnership with thousands of community-based child care homes and centers, arose to address the statewide issue of a lack of affordable, quality child care. Known today as the Early Learning and Education Programs (ELEP), these programs encompass child care-related services, including the Child Care Payment Program (CCPP), the Resource and Referral (R&R) Program, and the Family Child Care Homes Education Network (FCCHEN) Program. San Diego’s humble program set CHS on the path of helping families address their child care needs throughout the

state of California, with current programs serving the greater Long Beach area of Los Angeles County, and Orange, San Diego, Sutter, Ventura, Yolo, and Yuba Counties.

At CHS, making sure we can provide the resources families need to thrive is our priority. Over the past 50 years, our Early Learning and Education Programs have provided child care assistance for an estimated 190,000 families and 400,000 children, including nearly 1.2 million days of care. The Resource and Referral Program has processed more than 1 million child care referrals and requests, supporting families as they seek the information and resources they need to enroll their children in affordable, quality child care. In the past five decades, CHS has served as a valuable educational resource for both families and child care providers, providing hundreds of workshops and training opportunities, and hundreds of thousands of free educational brochures to families, child care providers, and communities each year.

While we are extremely proud of our accomplishments as an agency whose history spans beyond a century, our work is not done. We know that having access to affordable child care helps families create stable home environments leading to increased employment and educational attainment, lower child poverty, and improved school readiness.

CHS is committed to continuing our efforts to make our programs available to the communities we serve. We are actively working to build awareness and increase program enrollment through social media, digital advertising, community outreach, and by hosting various enrollment events at local CHS offices. We are excited about the future!

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude and thanks to the CHS Board of Directors, leadership team, and caring staff for their unwavering dedication to making a difference for California’s families. We also extended our gratitude to our donors and supporters for your generosity, ensuring that we continue to make our programs accessible to families in the communities we serve. We are building brighter tomorrows for children today.

We hope you enjoy our Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Report and join us in *Celebrating 50 Years of Child Care and Development Services*.

Sincerely,

Douglas G. Schultz
Chair, Board of Directors
November 2024

Beverly Tidwell
President and Chief Executive Officer
November 2024





1974

CHS establishes a small child care program in San Diego County.



Over the course of 50 years, CHS's Early Learning and Education Programs have helped hundreds of thousands of families access affordable child care.

1976

CHS is one of the first 11 agencies in California to receive a resource and referral contract, launching the Resource and Referral Program. CHS also launched the Family Child Care Network and the Child Care Alternative Payment Program this year.



1978

CHS opens its first CHS Toy and Resource Loan Library, enabling parents and child care providers to check out developmentally appropriate toys and resources.

Since its inception, CHS's Resource and Referral Program has provided over 1 million child care referrals and has helped families access child care in their community.



1990

CHS launches the California Child Care Initiative Project in Orange County. The original program was a two-year project which enabled CHS to reach dozens of South Orange County caregivers by providing resources, information, and training in quality child care environments. The program is now offered at multiple sites.

Over the years, CHS's programs and services have helped families throughout California find and pay for child care, allowing them to secure stable employment, continue their education, and meet other family needs.

Celebrating 50 Years of Child Care and Development Services

CHS first launched child care and development services in 1974 by establishing a small family care program in San Diego with a \$35,000 allocation from the San Diego City and San Diego County. In years to come, CHS's child care and development services grew to serve the greater Long Beach area of Los Angeles County, and Orange, Ventura, Sutter, and Yuba Counties. The most recent addition to our service area was in 2015, when we began providing subsidized child care and resource and referral services to families and child care providers in Yolo County. Today, CHS offers Early Learning and Education Programs in 6 offices throughout the state, with more than 260 staff agency-wide. Over our 50 years of providing child care and development services, there are many CHS staff whose careers span more than half this milestone. CHS is excited about continuing the legacy of supporting children, families, and the community into the future by providing access to quality programs and services to help our communities thrive.



1998

CHS Resource and Referral Colocation Program launches, placing CHS staff in Orange County Social Services Agency (SSA) locations to work side by side with Orange County SSA staff. The program was reestablished in Orange County in 2024.

2001

The Family Education Program is created, expanding resource distribution and providing families and child care providers with important child development education and services.

2015

CHS opens a new office in Woodland and began providing subsidized child care and resource and referral services in Yolo County.

2018

CHS launches the Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children (Bridge Program). The Bridge Program provides vouchers for emergency child care for foster children, navigator services to families, and Trauma-Informed Care trainings and coaching for child care providers.



1997

AB 1542 was signed, creating the new welfare program, California Work Opportunity and Responsibility for Kids (CalWORKs), which included child care assistance in three stages for families moving from welfare to work. CHS expanded services throughout the state as part of CalWORKs implementation.

In partnership with community-based child care providers, CHS's Early Learning and Education Programs have provided valuable education, trainings, and resources, supporting child care providers as they create quality child care environments in which children can thrive. Over the years, more than 60,000 parents and child care providers have attended CHS workshops and trainings.



2024

Today, CHS's programs are continuing to grow, providing quality services and resources to more families than ever. Our child care payment programs are actively enrolling and CHS is spreading awareness through advertising and enrollment events statewide.

Since 1974, more than 400,000 children have received child care through CHS's Early Learning and Education Programs.

CHS in Brief

Approaching the turn of the century in 1891, two pioneers in the emerging field of child welfare, Dr. Jessie R. and Mrs. Elizabeth Townsend, felt compelled to establish Children’s Home Society of California (CHS), with the goal of supporting children and families.

They believed that homeless children belonged in families, not institutions. From our initial location serving the needy children of Los Angeles, CHS expanded operations in 1892 to the San Francisco Bay Area. This, in turn, led to even more CHS offices and programs throughout California.

Although initially founded as an adoption agency, CHS’s services have adapted to the changing needs of society over the past 133 years. Today, we offer early learning and education programs for families and child care providers across the state, post adoption information and services to those eligible, as well as vital materials and resources to families, child care providers, and community organizations nationwide through our Family Education Program.

Organization

The CHS Board of Directors, our governing body, is comprised of dedicated volunteers. The President and Chief Executive Officer of CHS leads the agency and conserves our most significant asset, the CHS Endowment. The Executive Staff oversees program and agency operations, manages the budget, and leads fundraising and program development efforts. This is accomplished with the tireless work of dedicated and knowledgeable staff. Our Corporate Headquarters is located in Los Angeles, California, with additional offices in Long Beach, Orange, Oxnard, San Diego, Woodland, and Yuba City, which serves Sutter and Yuba Counties.

Financial Support

The programs of CHS are recognized for providing quality services to families, as well as offering support to the child care field. While some of our programs are supported by government contracts, CHS depends on the generous, private donations to bolster these revenues, maintain program quality and effectiveness, and fund services that are not supported by government monies. Other funds are raised through individual donations via Gift Clubs and the Annual Campaign, Remembrance Gifts, United Way donor-designated contributions, bequests, and other planned gifts. Corporate and foundation grants are an additional source of support.



Year at a Glance

For the 12 months that ended June 30, 2024

Family Education Program

Brochures and Materials Distributed	152,901
Brochures and Materials Downloaded	4,954
Agencies Receiving Family Education Materials	352
	\$21,700

Post Adoption Program

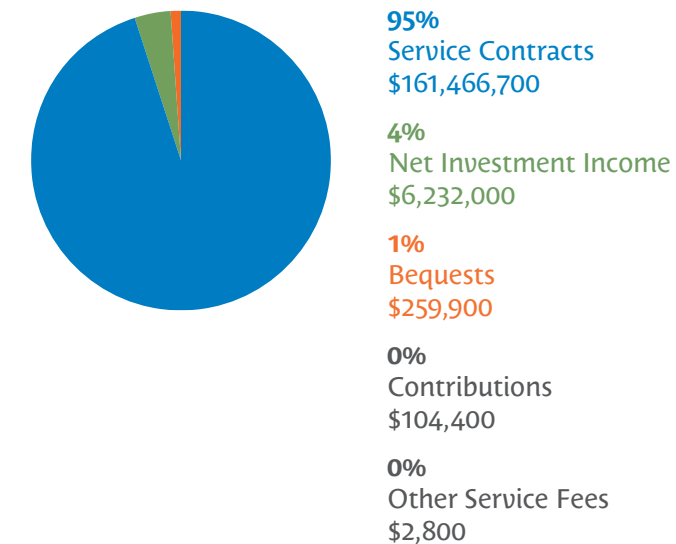
Post Adoption Inquiries Received and Services Provided	551
	\$249,400

Early Learning and Education Programs

Requests for Child Care	17,948
Technical Assistance Provided	35,229
Workshops and Trainings Provided	282
Parents and Child Care Providers	
Attending Training.....	1,280
Resource Library Visitors.....	548
Parent and Child Care Provider	
Newsletters Distributed	36,927
Parent and Child Care Provider	
Email Campaigns Distributed	536,751
Families Served.....	8,474
Children Served	14,680
Child Care Provider Hotline Services.....	14,325
Days of Care Provided	2,568,631
	\$151,455,400

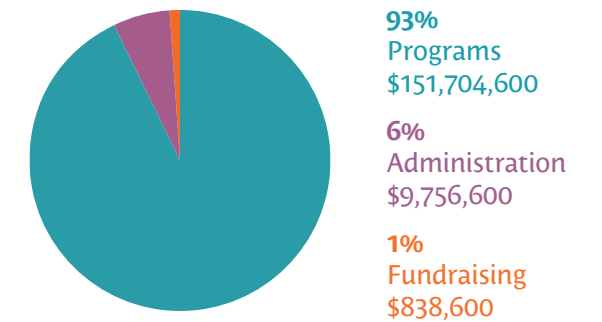


Sources of Income



Public Support Revenue	\$161,833,800
Other Revenue.....	\$6,232,000
Total Income.....	\$168,065,800

Expenses



Programs.....	\$151,704,600
Agency Operations	\$10,595,200
Total Expenses	\$162,299,800

Early Learning and Education Programs include the Child Care Payment Program, the Resource and Referral Program, Family Child Care Home Education Network Program, and the Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children.

For the 34th consecutive year, administration and fundraising costs have been 15% or less. In 2023-2024, 93% of CHS expenditures went to programs. Financial statements audited by Moss Adams LLP.

Child Care Payment Program (CCPP)

The **Child Care Payment Program** pays for all or part of child care expenses while parents work, seek work, attend school, seek permanent housing, experience homelessness, are incapacitated, are deemed at risk by a legally qualified professional, and/or are receiving child protective services. Through this program, participating families are able to choose caregivers from a variety of licensed and license-exempt child care providers throughout the community.

The **Child Care Payment Program** is offered in the greater Long Beach area of Los Angeles County, Orange County, Sutter County, Ventura County, Yolo County, and Yuba County.



Long Beach Office

1,895

families served

3,897

children served

- Staff attended 323 trainings in order to enhance and strengthen professional knowledge.
- Distributed 270 resources to enrolled families.

Patricia was a parent with three children in the Child Care Payment Program for several years. With CHS's help, she was able to secure a stable job and provide for her family. She no longer needed CHS's services to help pay for child care, but recently informed us that she now has a licensed family child care home business of her own. Patricia credits her success to CHS's support, allowing her to create a more stable life for her children.

– Patricia, Parent, Long Beach



I'm so grateful for having a job that I love and that Children's Home Society of California has given me opportunities to develop my skills and grow professionally. I'm nearing 25 years with CHS and have seen us grow. I'm so proud to have experienced these changes and be a part of CHS History.

– Sherri, CHS Employee



“With the help of CHS, I have been able to obtain employment and turn it into a career. Being a part of CHS has allowed me to retain my employment without having to worry about who’s going to watch my son and if he is safe, and for that I will be forever grateful.”

– Katrina, Parent, Orange

Orange Office

3,025

families served

6,186

children served

- Provided families with more than 1,000 donated tickets to Pretend City Children’s Museum.
- Provided families with 15 tickets to Knott’s Berry Farm, thanks to a donation from Ledconn Corporation.
- St. John’s Episcopal School donated 61 birthday bags for children ages 1 year to 14 years old.
- 40,071 tasks were completed by Case Management Staff.

Oxnard Office

740

families served

945

children served

- Had an onsite intake event and assisted over 150 families.
- Participated in 4 community outreach events.

“I thank this organization for existing because, as we all know, finding and affording child care isn’t easy.”

– Margarita, Parent, Oxnard

“This program has been amazing for my son and I. It has really helped us stay afloat.” – Kristina, Parent, Oxnard

San Diego Office

127

families served

289

children served

“I’ve been having a hard time with inflation and was worried about my child care expense! Thank you so much – this has taken some stress off of me.” – Sara, Parent, San Diego



Woodland Office

612

families served

1,021

children served

- Participated in 3 community outreach events.

“I have had a challenging journey, but CHS has been a supportive presence throughout. They’ve assisted me during crucial times, allowing me to focus on school, supported my family during my child’s illness, and provided much-needed help after my stroke and loss. Their continued support even as I returned to work shows their commitment to going beyond expectations for families in need. It’s clear their child care assistance has been invaluable in allowing me to maintain employment and reduce worries. It’s wonderful that I have found such support during difficult times.”

– Nina, Parent, Woodland



Yuba City Office

808

families served

1,559

children served

“CHS staff really made a difference. Their help and support gave me the confidence to change my life for the better.”

– Betty, Parent, Yuba City

Priscilla was referred to CHS during a difficult time. A victim of domestic violence, she needed help getting back on her feet. She found a job at a local retail store, within walking distance of a CHS office. She walked over to CHS on her lunch break and filled out all of the enrollment documents needed to get help paying for her daughter. She found a child care provider she trusted, and with CHS’s help could afford, and began to build a new life for herself and daughter. Her career continued to advance and she now is successful working from home.

– Priscilla, Parent, Yuba City

At the young age of 21, I embarked on my career at CHS enthusiastic to make a difference in the lives of children. More than two decades later, I am filled with gratitude for the opportunity to continue to be part of something so impactful to families and children. Running into former CHS families and hearing about their now-adult children’s successes reinforces the importance of uplifting our most vulnerable.

– Linda, CHS Employee



Provider Relations Department (PRD)

The **Provider Relations Department (PRD)** provides support to child care providers who serve children enrolled in CHS's subsidized child care programs. The PRD case management staff are responsible for the intake and ongoing case management of child care providers' program files.

The **Provider Relations Department (PRD)** is offered in the **greater Long Beach area of Los Angeles County, Orange County, San Diego County, Sutter County, Ventura County, Yolo County, and Yuba County.**

Agency-Wide

3,704	789	1,334	1,581
active child care providers	active child care centers	active licensed family child care homes	active license-exempt providers

- PRD activated 1,242 new child care providers.
- PRD staff completed more than 1,200 seasonal provider rate changes ahead of schedule.

"I appreciate the time you took to help answer all of my questions. It makes the process so much easier. Thank you!" – **Maria**, Child Care Provider, Orange



Long Beach Office

155	488	470
active child care centers	active licensed family child care homes	active license-exempt providers

Orange Office

493	362	472
active child care centers	active licensed family child care homes	active license-exempt providers

Oxnard Office

57	220	132
active child care centers	active licensed family child care homes	active license-exempt providers

San Diego Office

28
active licensed family child care homes

Woodland Office

65	121	165
active child care centers	active licensed family child care homes	active license-exempt providers

Yuba City Office

19	115	342
active child care centers	active licensed family child care homes	active license-exempt providers



Family Child Care Home Education Network (FCCHEN) Program

The **Family Child Care Home Education Network (FCCHEN) Program** is a partnership between the parent, family child care provider, and Children’s Home Society of California (CHS) staff. The FCCHEN program offers subsidized child care to eligible parents and supports the quality of child care providers. Family child care home providers enrolled in the FCCHEN program receive ongoing professional development training, guidance, and technical support from CHS staff to ensure high-quality child development services.

The FCCHEN Program recognizes that family child care providers are an integral component of the early childhood care and education field within the communities we serve. As such, FCCHEN found it essential to begin to expand the program to assist more child care providers and families.

The **Family Child Care Home Education Network (FCCHEN) Program** is offered in the **greater Long Beach area of Los Angeles County, Orange County, San Diego County, Sutter County, Ventura County, and Yuba County.**

FCCHEN Staff offered 30 workshops (in-person and virtual) to child care providers.

Long Beach Office

77
children served

18
child care providers served

Orange Office

75
children served

26
child care providers served

Oxnard Office

222
children served

31
child care providers served

San Diego Office

184
children served

37
child care providers served

Yuba City Office

52
children served

9
child care providers served

Child care provider, Gloria, thanked us for providing her resources and supplies to be used in her dramatic play area. Supplies included a large wooden supermarket with different props. CHS Staff also provided technical assistance to the provider on different themes she can implement using the supermarket. During a recent visit, CHS Staff shared Gloria had turned her dramatic play area into an ice cream shop. Gloria thanked the staff for assisting with creative ideas. Children used the different ice cream flavors to discuss colors and counting.

– **Gloria**, Child Care Provider, Yuba City

Post Adoption Program

For over 100 years, Children’s Home Society of California (CHS) provided adoption services. From our beginnings in Los Angeles in 1891, CHS experienced a continuous increase in the number of children placed for adoption, having placed nearly 45,000 children into permanent adoptive homes.

Post adoption services have always been a part of CHS’s Programs and Services. Following the closure of our adoption program in the late 1990’s, CHS formalized and refined its post adoption service, creating the Post Adoption Program (PAP) centralized at the agency’s Corporate Headquarters in Los Angeles. Although our agency no longer places children in adoptive homes, we honor our history by providing professional, post legal adoption services to those involved in a CHS adoption, including adoptees, birth parents, and others entitled to services. All services are provided as required by California law and prescribed by the California Department of Social Services.



551
post adoption inquiries

Family Education Program

Children’s Home Society of California (CHS) is committed to being a central community resource in California and the nation through our Family Education Program.

We provide multilingual educational brochures and materials such as our Childhood Mental Health brochure, Development Stages Wheel, School Readiness Kit, as well as podcasts and other helpful resources to parents, caregivers, and agencies.

Agency-Wide

152,901
brochures and materials distributed

4,954
brochures and materials downloaded

352
agencies receiving family education materials

Reflecting on my 25 years here, I'm so proud of who I've become.
– Joelle, CHS Employee



Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children (Bridge Program)

The **Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children (Bridge Program)** is a partnership between Children’s Home Society of California (CHS) and local county child welfare offices. Through this collaboration, CHS is able to offer concrete support in times of need to foster parents and resource families. The program provides emergency child care services to eligible resource families. When a family is referred to the Bridge Program, they are connected with a Child Care Navigator at CHS. Child Care Navigators assist families in finding a child care provider that best suits the family’s needs, by providing a responsive referral process. The Child Care Navigators also assist families with enrollment into long-term subsidy programs for on-going care, as Bridge is intended to be a temporary program. Additionally, Bridge staff offer Trauma-Informed Care Trainings and Coaching sessions to child care providers. By offering this support to foster parents, resource families, and child care providers, the Bridge Program accomplishes its mission to improve and stabilize the placement of foster children, so that they may have every chance at a brighter future.

The **Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children (Bridge Program)** is offered in the **greater Long Beach area of Los Angeles County, Orange County, Sutter County, Yolo County, and Yuba County.**



Child Care Provider, Lorena, called CHS concerned that a Bridge Program child in her care had been experiencing dysregulated behaviors due to the trauma she had previously encountered. CHS was able to provide Lorena with resources and materials to support the child when feeling anxious. CHS provided Lorena with a calming shoulder pad and kit to use when the child felt anxious, and to help with social-emotional regulation.

During a follow up coaching session, Lorena informed CHS that the resources made a significant difference helping to calm the child and regulate behavior.

Lorena thanked CHS for supporting her and the child, as well as for all of the support she received over the years.

– **Lorena, Child Care Provider, Long Beach**

Long Beach Office

87 children authorized	22 trauma-informed care workshops	82 trauma-informed care coaching sessions
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Orange Office

186 referrals received	242 children served	108 children transferred to Long-term Subsidy Care (CAPP)
16 trauma-informed care workshops in total	4 trauma-informed care workshops in Spanish	74 providers attended trauma-informed care workshops

74 trauma-informed care coaching sessions

Sutter County Office

23 referrals received	16 trauma-informed care workshops	2 trauma-informed care coaching sessions
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Yolo County Office

38 referrals received	16 trauma-informed care workshops	23 trauma-informed care coaching sessions
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Yuba County Office

27 referrals received	16 trauma-informed care workshops	5 trauma-informed care coaching sessions
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“What I liked most about this workshop was how they made us feel welcomed and that we mattered, and gave us a voice through the video.”

– **Luisa, Child Care Provider, Woodland**

Resource and Referral Program (R&R)

The **Resource and Referral Program (R&R)** offers comprehensive child development services to families and child care providers. Through this program, CHS connects parents with referrals to licensed child care providers and educates families on selecting quality child care options that best meet their needs. Additionally, CHS provides a wide range of educational resources for both parents and child care providers. This includes informative newsletters, engaging workshops, a resource lending library, and distribution of educational materials. R&R also offers personalized consultation services, up-to-date information on child care licensing regulations, and access to community resources and support networks. By fostering strong connections and providing essential tools, the R&R Program aims to enhance the quality and accessibility of child care services in the communities we serve.

The **Resource and Referral (R&R) Program** is offered in the **greater Long Beach area of Los Angeles County, Orange County, Sutter County, Yolo County, and Yuba County.**



R&R contracted with local Hub Lead Agencies to implement a new Trauma-Informed Care (TIC) Workshop and Café series targeted towards Family Child Care Home and Family Friend and Neighbor providers.

- Each county hosted one cohort of up to 15 participants, consisting of an 8-hour training series and three Provider Cafés.
- The intention of the series was to enhance participant knowledge of caring for children experiencing trauma and provide opportunities to share and learn from peers.
- Staff were able to facilitate safe conversations and invite participants to explore subjects that are meaningful to them. Upon completing the series, participants received a stipend of up to \$500 for their participation.

During a lending library appointment, Provider Cecilia expressed her gratitude for the support she has received from CHS staff. Cecilia is thankful for the Trauma-Informed Care (TIC) Provider Café stipend, technical support from the Child Care Initiative Program (CCIP), and overall interactions with friendly CHS staff who have been supportive with answering all of her questions.

Cecilia has been a child care provider for over 26 years and mentioned how much CHS has contributed to her success through providing child care referrals to families (which has supported her full capacity enrollment) and resources to continue to deliver quality care.

– **Cecilia**, Child Care Provider, Orange

Long Beach Office

67 workshops offered	388 library appointments	3,044 technical assistance calls	45 eligibility questionnaires processed
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“I absolutely loved the course! It was informative.”
– **Jessica**, Child Care Provider, Long Beach

Orange Office

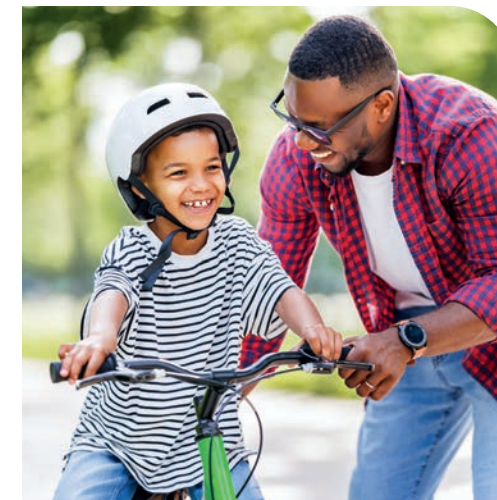
65 workshops offered	19 library appointments	10,263 technical assistance calls	97 eligibility questionnaires processed
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Woodland Office

65 workshops offered	3 library appointments	940 technical assistance calls	22 eligibility questionnaires processed
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Yuba City Office

58 workshops offered	110 library appointments	2,691 technical assistance calls	97 eligibility questionnaires processed
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During my employment with CHS, I've had the opportunity to constantly learn and grow, which has helped me develop professionally and personally. I also enjoy the positive impact and fulfillment of my work serving the children and families within the community over the years.

– **Latrice**, CHS Employee

Resource and Referral Colocation Program

The **Resource and Referral Colocation Program** provides child care Resource and Referral (R&R) services to Orange County Social Services Agency (SSA) clients, with the purpose of assisting clients in locating child care to enable them to achieve and maintain self-sufficiency. SSA clients include, but are not limited to, applicants for California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Act (CalWORKs), Welfare-to-Work (WTW) participants, and participants discontinued from CalWORKs. In addition to enhanced child care referrals, services include consumer education, assistance with the TrustLine process, and the CalWORKs child care payment assistance referral process. CHS staff are collocated at the following SSA offices: Anaheim, Laguna Hills, and Santa Ana.

The **Resource and Referral Colocation Program** is offered in Orange County.



Served 128 clients and their families.

Colocation Steps:

- Staff contact multiple child care providers to verify they can provide the families with the full scope of services needed.
- Staff provide families with additional consumer education and resources to assist with navigating their child care needs and making an informed decision when choosing a child care provider.
- After three days, staff follow up with parents to obtain the outcome of their search for child care and provide additional referrals and resources, if needed.

“Wow, I didn’t know Children’s Home Society of California has so many services.”

– Lydia, Social Worker, Orange



CHS Program Associates are dedicated to serving clients and their families through an “Outreach Mindset” – spreading awareness of CHS services by participating in meetings, resource fairs, and networking with supervisors, managers, and case workers to spread the valuable services that CHS has to offer. CHS has helped families in all locations.

California Child Care Initiative Project (CCIP)

The **Child Care Initiative Project (CCIP)** is a statewide initiative with the goal of increasing the number of children being served in child care settings and enhancing the quality of care in family child care homes. CCIP supports potential providers who are interested in becoming licensed or starting the process of becoming licensed, providers who are newly licensed, and providers who are expanding their license. The California Child Care Resource & Referral Network, in collaboration with local R&R agencies, provides support to CCIP participants by offering technical assistance, professional development and networking opportunities, and resources.

The **California Child Care Initiative Project (CCIP)** is offered in the **greater Long Beach area of Los Angeles County, Orange County, Sutter County, Yolo County, and Yuba County.**

Long Beach Office

25 active participants
583 technical assistance emails
145 technical assistance phone calls

7 participants that received their license

Orange Office

19 active participants
107 technical assistance emails
79 technical assistance phone calls

3 participants that received their license

The Long Beach and Orange Offices hosted a private shopping event for CCIP provider, with a shopping budget of \$500 each to enhance their learning environments.

A total of 31 providers attended and by the end of the event, participants left with high-quality resources.

Sutter County Office

29 active participants
114 technical assistance emails
22 technical assistance phone calls

4 participants that received their license

Woodland Office

22 active participants
12 technical assistance emails
11 technical assistance phone calls

10 participants that received their license

Yuba County Office

35 active participants
144 technical assistance emails
24 technical assistance phone calls

11 participants that received their license
2 participants that expanded their license



Health and Safety Program

The **Health and Safety Training Reimbursement Program** reimburses child care providers for the cost of required Health and Safety training certifications (CPR, pediatric first aid, and preventive health practices or certificate renewal). Up to \$150 may be reimbursed per person for trainings completed in the fiscal year.

The **Health and Safety Training Reimbursement Program** is offered in the **greater Long Beach area of Los Angeles County, Orange County, Sutter County, Yolo County, and Yuba County.**

Long Beach Office

257

Health & Safety applications received

There was an increase of 32 individuals and nearly \$5,000 in funds reimbursed from fiscal year 2023.

Orange Office

575

Health & Safety applications received

Woodland Office

29

Health & Safety applications received

Yuba City Office

28

Health & Safety applications received



“When I was a single mom years ago, CHS helped me get on my feet.”

– Carolyn, Parent and Donor, Yuba City



A Changed Life Gives Back to CHS Yuba City

The Children’s Home Society of California (CHS) Yuba City office received a heartwarming and sizeable donation from a former client during the 2023 holiday season. Benzeen Auto Parts Office Manager Carolyn White says, “it took me all of three seconds to decide to donate to CHS.”

Carolyn expressed deep gratitude as she explained her inspiration to give back to CHS, “when I was in need as a single mom years ago, CHS helped me.” In 2006, Ms. White relocated to Yuba City after a difficult period in her life, “I lost my way for many years going down a really bad and dark path.” While rebuilding her life, she connected with the CHS Child Care Payment Program (CCPP) following her graduation from a two-year drug rehabilitation program and getting her daughter back from foster care.

Back then, CHS services were a “godsend” as she tried to provide for her four-year-old, “until I could get on my feet, you know, firmly planted in living in society and being a productive member of society.”

Carolyn was able to “utilize the help to pay for daycare because the care was so expensive.”

Carolyn immediately thought of CHS when tasked with picking a non-profit for the raffle ticket sales at Benzeen Auto Part’s annual Thanksgiving dinner. “I just flat out told her [Carolyn’s boss, Nicole], you know, they’ve helped me and it would be amazing to give back.”

Carolyn made a poster board highlighting CHS’s passion for improving the lives of families and raised the \$466 gift presented to Children’s Home Society of California’s Yuba City office on December 14, 2023.



Bequests

Thanks to the generosity of our family and friends, Children's Home Society of California (CHS) has provided strong foundational support to children, families, and child care providers for over 133 years.

Your kindness has given many families who depend on CHS the support and resources needed to help them succeed. When you designate CHS in your trust and/or will, you are giving children an opportunity for a brighter future.

Learn more about assisted estate planning and other charitable vehicles by visiting our website at www.chs-ca.org, checking the information box on the attached return envelope, or contacting our Development Department at (213) 240-5925.

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We are grateful for the Memorial gifts given in honor of the lives of those no longer with us.

Your donations act as a touching tribute, turning loss into an opportunity to uplift the families we serve. Their legacy will live on through the many lives changed by your thoughtfulness.

We recognize the cherished loved ones lost last year and those family and friends contributing in their memory.

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For more than 133 years, CHS has been dedicated to providing programs and services to help children and families thrive.

We are grateful to the members of our Gift Clubs, including our Corporate Partners, Heritage Club Members, Foundations and Trusts, Remembrance Gift contributors, United Way sponsors, and our many other donors who have joined with us to make a difference for California families. Thank you for making 50 years of child care and development services in California a success. We recognize the generosity of the following gifts, which were received from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

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Gift Clubs provide special recognition to donors who, through a single annual gift or through monthly or quarterly donations, demonstrate their strong commitment to helping families succeed. Gift Club memberships are acknowledged at the following levels:

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Our Heritage Club includes those committed to creating a lasting impression, ensuring CHS's strong future so that children will be cared for in continuum.

By giving through charitable vehicles such as wills, a variety of charitable trusts and annuities, these valuable gifts continue to improve the lives of those in need.

If you would like to become a Heritage Club member and help build brighter tomorrows with CHS, please check the information box on the return envelope attached to this report, or visit our website at www.chs-ca.org.

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CHS Honor Gifts are a wonderful way to celebrate important milestones in the life of a family member, friend, or colleague.

Whether a gift is made to honor a life, or to celebrate an anniversary, wedding, graduation, birthday or any other special occasion, your gift provides a legacy of caring for children and families for years to come.

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It has been a pleasure working at CHS for so many years! The reason I continue to enjoy my work here is because I believe in the commitment CHS has to our families. I enjoy working alongside the caring and hardworking staff that provides services to our communities. Even though I play a small role, it gives me great satisfaction knowing children are being cared for while their parents are at work. I hope to continue to help our great staff in accomplishing this wonderful work for many more years.

— Irma, CHS Employee



Volunteer Leadership

The following individuals are the dedicated Volunteer Leadership of CHS.

The CHS Board of Directors consists of caring volunteers who are passionate about making a difference in the lives of California families. We are grateful for their unwavering leadership and their enthusiasm for building brighter tomorrows for children today. Thank you for making 50 years of child care and development services in California a success.



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For 50 years, our Volunteer and Staff Leadership have shown passionate dedication to provide quality child care and development services in California for all families.



Sal Diaz joined CHS 27 years ago, right out of college. Sal always had a passion for helping his community and knew at a young age he wanted to work for an agency that had a positive impact on children, families, and the community. Sal has held many roles over the years working in CHS's Early Learning and Education Programs. Currently, Sal is a Program Administrator III, responsible for overseeing the daily operations of Child Care Payment Programs (CCPP) for the Orange office. Sal also manages the Provider Relations Department (PRD) for all sites.

Through the years, Sal has been able to work from each of our offices, allowing him to meet many CHS staff and experience the different communities that we serve. Sal has learned a lot throughout his time at CHS and he thoroughly enjoys being able to teach and pass on this knowledge to staff, families, and child care providers. Sal credits his longevity at CHS to the impact CHS makes on children and families.

Staff Leadership

The following individuals are CHS's dedicated Staff Leadership.

CHS's Leadership team truly cares about the families we serve. We are grateful for their tireless commitment to helping families thrive. Thank you for making 50 years of child care and development services in California a success.

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I have always wanted to make a difference in the lives of children, families, and the staff around me and CHS has and continues to provide this platform for me.
— Sal, CHS Employee

Make a Difference

Give a Gift for Good

Your contribution makes a positive impact on the lives of the families we serve.

For every dollar you give to CHS, you can be certain at least 93 cents is ear-marked for direct services for children. For the last 17 years, we have maintained no less than 94 percent of every dollar to support services for children and families.

We are very grateful for your generosity, support, and commitment to building brighter tomorrows for children today. If you would like more information or have any questions about gifts to assist children and families, please visit our website at www.chs-ca.org, or contact the CHS Development Department at (213) 240-5925.

Donate Securely Online

Make a secure donation by visiting the Children's Home Society of California (CHS) website at www.chs-ca.org.

In addition to offering various ways to make a gift, our comprehensive website provides vital information about our programs and services and how your donation will benefit children, their families, and the community.

Choose How to Give

The CHS website offers a variety of ways to make your gift.

Donate online and be assured your information will remain secure and confidential. You can also donate by mail. However you choose to donate, you have the option to give in memory or honor of others, and share the holiday spirit with a CHS holiday greeting.

Planned Giving allows you many options to provide a legacy of support to help children in the future, including making a specific bequest to CHS in your trust or will. It also gives you many other ways to maximize your legacy gift, as well as the opportunity to join the CHS Heritage Club. Our Planned Giving program empowers donors by offering comprehensive information on estate planning and the ability to tailor a legacy gift to fit your personal circumstances. To learn more about our Planned Giving Program, visit www.chs-ca.org.



Gift Giving Suggestions

Here are some tips to help make the most of your generosity to CHS.

Give Early in the Year

Give yourself and your professional advisors plenty of time to work out the best plan for your personal and family financial needs, as well as your charitable objectives. This is particularly important if you would like to make a gift of non-cash assets such as stocks, real estate, etc.

Calculate Your Income

Plan early. Don't wait to make a charitable gift and claim deductions. Do it before you complete your income tax return or it may be too late. You should also be aware that your taxes may be higher if earned or unearned income increased or if you sold any appreciated assets. Increased giving prior to December 31st could help decrease your income tax liability. You might also consider moving some of your giving forward from next year to create a larger income deduction for the current year. Non-itemizers may find this "grouping of gifts" useful in order to take better advantage of an itemized tax return.

Review Your Estate Plan

It may be time to sit down with your accountant, attorney, or estate plan advisor to discuss and prepare a trust or will, to provide for your estate. Consider taking advantage of the many opportunities of estate tax savings with charitable giving. If you already have a trust or will, you may want to think about updating or amending it to include a provision for CHS.

You may want to provide for the support or income of a spouse or your children during their lifetimes with an ultimate bequest of the remainder. Careful planning in advance along with charitable giving can greatly reduce or eliminate the amount of estate taxes that your estate may eventually have to pay.

Consider a Life Income Gift

Using our Pooled Income Fund or an individual charitable trust, you can make a gift now, earn tax benefits, and receive income for the rest of your life. Talk with your accountant, attorney, or our Development Department for details on this smart way to give to CHS.

Review Your Stocks

If you own equities that have appreciated substantially, and if you have held them for more than a year, it may be a smart financial move to make a year-end gift to CHS using one or more of the stocks to potentially avoid incurring a capital gain tax on the appreciation if you sold them. If you donate the stocks and allow CHS to sell them, no one pays a tax and you receive a charitable deduction for the full value of the stock just as you would with a cash gift.

Avoid Beneficiary Taxes

Consider bequeathing CHS property that may be taxable to your beneficiaries. Income earned before death can be subject to both income and estate taxes. When you bequeath property to CHS, CHS is not required to pay either tax on gifts of property. Certain death benefits from annuities, IRAs, and other retirement savings plans may be perfect for such a tax savings gift.

Talk to your Advisor

Everyone at CHS wants your giving to be generous, joyful, and most importantly, prudent. Before making a significant gift to CHS, we recommend conferring with your accountant, attorney, or financial professional as to the impact of your gift to CHS on your personal financial position, income and estate taxes, and estate planning.



Staff Recognition

For more than 133 years, CHS has worked diligently to help families succeed even in the most difficult of times.

Through the dedication and determination of our caring staff, we have been able to provide various quality programs and help families build stable, strong foundations for their loved ones. We would like to thank the following staff for their longstanding dedication to making 50 years of child care and development services in California a success.

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In Memory
Kenneth Kendrick
1960 – 2024

While we mourn the loss of our colleague, we pay tribute and celebrate a life that was well lived.

Kenneth Kendrick joined Children’s Home Society of California as Facilities Management Administrator in 2000, where he was a vital part of the management, safety, and security of CHS employees and office-sites. Ken was quick to greet all with a hearty “hey,” and was always the first in line to travel whenever and wherever there was a CHS facilities need, regardless of the time of day (or night) and distance (San Diego to Yuba City)!

Ken had a contagious spirit and zest for life. He loved camping in his fifth-wheel travel trailer and on at least one occasion, traveled and stayed in his trailer near one of CHS’s office-sites to complete work on a high priority project. Ken also loved the Raiders football team and on many occasions, shared stories of never missing a game, even while camping in his trailer!

In his loving memory, we thank Ken for his 24-years of dedicated service, a legacy that will leave an imprint on each of us, as well as our organization, programs and services, and the families and communities we serve.

Thank You

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