

Foster & Homeless Youth

Master list of Resources

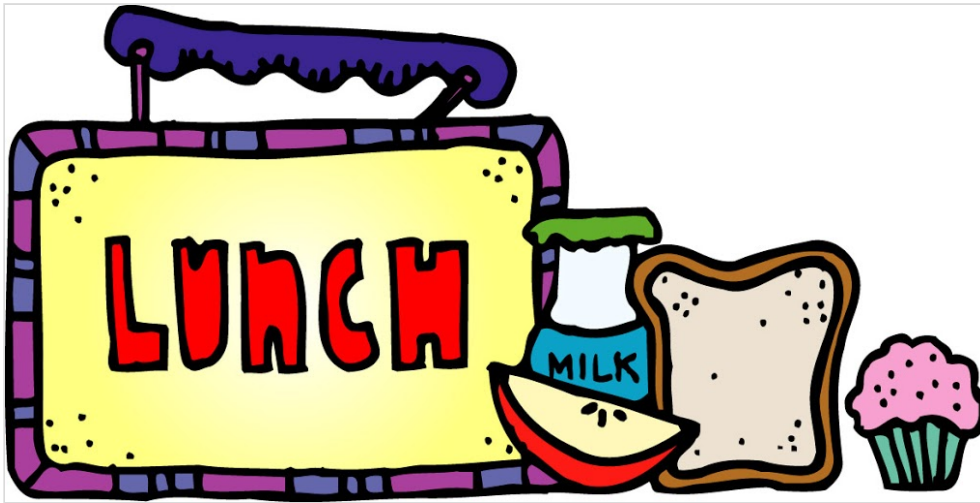
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School Lunch / Emergency Meal Information

Grab 'n Go Lunch Schedules

Meal Information for Each School District in Tulare County

<https://tinyurl.com/ycunnjnr>



Pandemic EBT Assistance

Children eligible for free or reduced meals can get up to \$365 in food benefits in addition to their pick up school meals

State Flyer

<https://tinyurl.com/yc2x7k8f>

Information/Questions

<https://tinyurl.com/yar32hv6>

PANDEMIC EBT PROGRAM

Up to 3.8 million kids are eligible for benefits to replace the free or reduced-cost school meals they are no longer receiving.

covid19.ca.gov



Emergency Food

<http://new.foodlinktc.org/home/>



CDE Meals for Kids App

Mobile App to find locations of meal program sites

<https://tinyurl.com/y8u8o944>



Grab n Go Meals - Porterville

For homeless persons in Porterville, do not need to have a school-age child

The poster for the Grab & Go Lunch Program features a blue background. At the top left is the City of Porterville, California seal. A large orange circle in the center contains the text "GRAB & GO LUNCH PROGRAM" in yellow and white, with "PROGRAMA DE ALMUERZO PARA LLEVAR" in smaller white text below it. To the left of the circle is an image of four brown paper bags and two apples (one green, one red). Below the circle, the word "FREE!" is written in large white letters, with "¡GRATIS!" in smaller white letters below it. To the right of "FREE!" is the text "For individuals experiencing homelessness" and "Para personas sin hogar". A thick orange horizontal band contains the text "DAILY STARTING MAR 27" in white, with "DIARIO A PARTIR DEL 27 DE MARZO" in smaller white text below it. Below the band, the time "12:00- 1:00 PM" is displayed in large white letters, followed by the location "JAYE STREET PARK & RIDE LOT" and "TULE RIVER PARKWAY - BEHIND VILLA ROBLES APARTMENTS" in white. Below the location, the text "EN EL ESTACIONAMIENTO DE JAYE STREET Y TULE RIVER PARKWAY- DETRÁS DE LOS APARTAMENTOS VILLA ROBLES" is written in smaller white letters. At the bottom left, "QUESTIONS?" is written in orange, with "(559) 782- 7536" in white below it. At the bottom right, "CITY OF PORTERVILLE COVID-19 RESOURCE" is written in white and orange.

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(559) 782- 7536

CITY OF PORTERVILLE COVID-19 RESOURCE

Tulare HHSA Cal Fresh

<https://tinyurl.com/yc2cbobl>



Housing & Emergency Shelters

C-Set Housing Assistance

Helps support and provide housing for those moving in and out of homelessness

Housing Services - CSET

Our mission is to create strong and sustainable communities by advocating for, developing and managing affordable housing for low and moderate income individuals and families. We believe that comfortable housing plays a major role in improving one's quality of life and remain committed to providing residents with the assistance they need to maintain a home of their own.

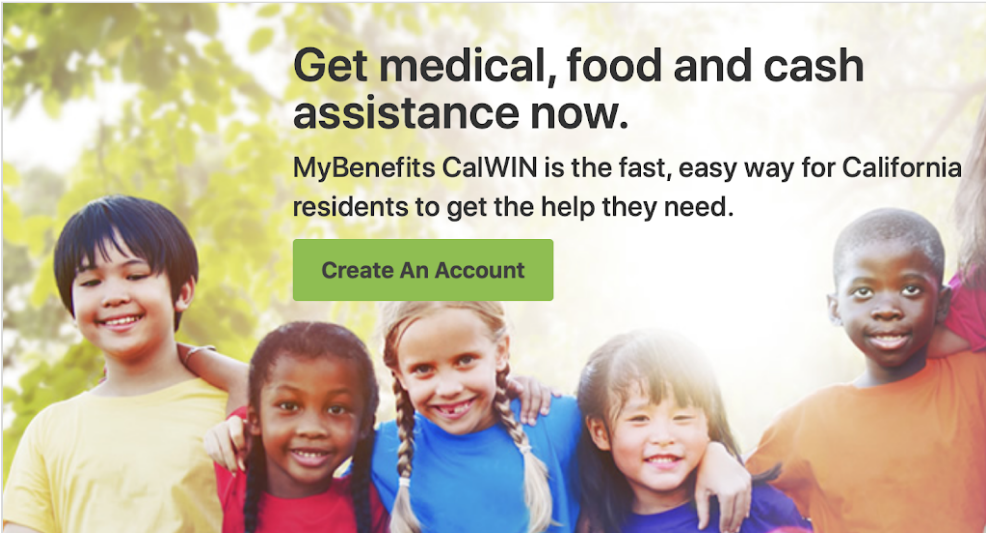
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Tulare Works

Housing Assistance, Homeless Assistance Program, WIC

<https://www.mybenefitscalwin.org>



Get medical, food and cash assistance now.

MyBenefits CalWIN is the fast, easy way for California residents to get the help they need.

[Create An Account](#)

Karen's House (Family Services)

Domestic Violence Shelter - Confidential Location 559-732-5941 or 800-448-2044

<https://tinyurl.com/yb35nu8d>



Safe homes. Safe relationships. Safe children.

For a safer community where we can all thrive.

Central California Family Crisis Center

Porterville - must call first

Any time, any day – call us at 559-784-0192. Always free, always confidential.

<http://ccfamilycrisis.org>



Visalia Rescue Mission

Men Only - Shelter Address: 322 N. E. 1st., Visalia CA
559-740-4178

Overnight Shelters - Visalia Rescue Mission

Donate Volunteer Pray Current Needs Community Center
Completion Leave a Legacy Donate/Buy a Vehicle Host A Donation
Drive Amazon Smile Cheerful Givers

VISALIA RESCUE MISSION



Shelter of Hope

Women and Children Only Girls 17 and under, boys 12 and under - Shelter Address:
1413 N. Burke St., Visalia, CA
559-734-7921

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VISALIA RESCUE MISSION



Open Gate Shelter (Dinuba)

Whole Family Shelter. Address: 511 N. "K" St., Dinuba CA 93618
(559) 591-1241

<https://tinyurl.com/ybxtmdrn>



Porterville Rescue Mission

Men, Women and Children 30 S. A Street , Porterville, CA 559-782-6379



Lighthouse Rescue Mission

Shelter for Women and Children 111 W. Kern Ave., Tulare, CA 93274
559-687-8317

What We Do - Lighthouse Rescue Mission

The story of the LightHouse Rescue mission began in 2004 as a group of passionate volunteers and a collection of local churches sought a solution to the homeless issue in Tulare. The mission statement for the organization is: We embrace the poor and homeless with the compassion of Jesus Christ, as a beacon hope and healing for a changed life, helping them to find their way home.

LIGHTHOUSE RESCUE MISSION



Mental Health Resources

CDE - Covid-19

Crisis and Mental Health Resources

Help for Students in Crisis

Teen & Youth Help Hotline Teenage Advice, Crisis & Depression Helpline Do you need help working something out? Do you want to talk to someone who understands, like another teen? We're here to help! The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-8255 The 24-hour, toll-free, confidential suicide prevention hotline is available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress.

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Crisis Lines

Tulare County Mental Health

Children and Adult Mental Health Clinics

Mental Health Clinical Services

Mental Health Clinical Services Mental health clinics provide services that help individuals with mental illness manage their symptoms and avoid crises. Our goal is to help you avoid hospitalization and help you live and thrive within your community. To do so we use a "whatever it takes" approach to support the wellness and recovery process.

TCHHSA



Aces Connection

Connect with people using trauma-informed/resilience-building practices. Stay current with news, research, events.

<https://www.acesconnection.com>



Center for Youth Wellness

Self Care Tips

Sheltering in Place: ACEs-Informed Tips for Self-Care During a Pandemic - Center for Youth Wellness

Millions of lives have been affected in unprecedented ways by the Coronavirus (COVID-19). We are all grappling with uncertainty-our daily routines interrupted, not knowing what is to come. For those of us who have Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), these times can be particularly distressing. At the Center for Youth Wellness (CYW), we know that childhood ...



CENTER FOR YOUTH WELLNESS

Sesame Street

Caring for Each Other During this Stressful Time

Sesame Street

These are challenging times, and your friends at Sesame Street are here to help. Our new hub is filled with videos, playful learning activities, and ways to help families stay physically and mentally healthy. The Sesame Street Muppets are staying home, too, but still connecting with friends online-and each week we'll post new videos, like Singalong with Elmo or Snack Time with Cookie Monster.



SESAME STREET

California Surgeon General's Office

Stress Busting Playbook



[california-surgeon-general_stress-busting-playbook_draft-v2clean_ada-04072020.pdf](#)

PDF document

COVID19.CA.GOV

Undocumented Children

My Undocumented Life

Resources for Undocumented Youth and Families

Resources for Undocumented Immigrants and their Families During COVID-19

At My Undocumented Life we have compiled a list of resources and news that can help undocumented and mixed-status families during the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic. We update this page frequently so be sure to bookmark it and share it with your networks! KEY RESOURCES At My Undocumented Life, we created a post that outlines some...

MY UNDOCUMENTED LIFE

[COVID-19
Resources for
Undocumented
Immigrants & Families](#)

California Immigrant Youth Justice Alliance

Resources for Undocumented Youth and Families

COVID-19 Resources For Undocumented Californians

En español abajo. As COVID-19, more commonly referred to as the "coronavirus," begins to make its impact in the United States, we want to take this moment to remind undocumented youth and their families to prioritize their health to the best of their abilities.

CIJJA - CALIFORNIA IMMIGRANT YOUTH JUSTICE ALLIANCE

Transition Age Youth

Cell Phones

Cell phone program for current and former foster youth ages 13-26

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An iFoster team member will reach out to you to discuss what we have available for you. You can always reach us at: Phone 1-855-936-7837 Email support@ifoster.org Stay strong! We are here to help!The iFoster Team

TFAFORMS



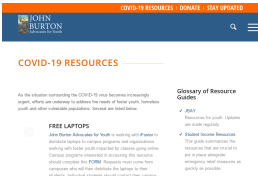
John Burton Advocates for Youth

Resources for foster and homeless youth, cell phone, internet, college transition

COVID-19 Resources - John Burton Advocates

John Burton Advocates for Youth is working with iFoster to distribute laptops to campus programs and organizations working with foster youth impacted by classes going online. Campus programs interested in accessing this resource should complete this FORM. Requests must come from campuses who will then distribute the laptops to their students.

JBAFORYOUTH

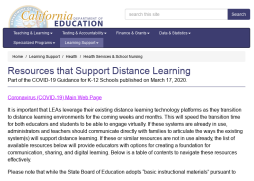


CDE Resources to Support Distance Learning

Resources that Support Distance Learning

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Main Web Page It is important that LEAs leverage their existing distance learning technology platforms as they transition to distance learning environments for the coming weeks and months. This will speed the transition time for both educators and students to be able to engage virtually.

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ACT test

Home

ACT is a mission-driven nonprofit organization. Our insights unlock potential and create solutions for K-12 education, college, and career readiness.

ACT



SAT Test

Test Dates and Deadlines

2019-20 SAT Dates Deadlines expire at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time, U.S. To see international SAT test dates, visit International Registration. To see dates when you can take the SAT on a school day, visit Taking the SAT in School.

SAT SUITE OF ASSESSMENTS

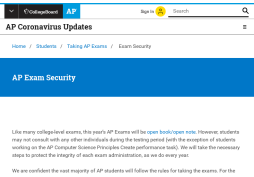


AP Testing

Exam Security

Like many college-level exams, this year's AP Exams will be open book/open note. However, students may not consult with any other individuals during the testing period. We will take the necessary steps to protect the integrity of each exam administration.

COLLEGEBOARD



General Resources

2-1-1 United Way Tulare County

Call 2-1-1- or 1-800-283-9323 Available 24/7

Or download 2-1-1 App at App Store or Google Play

2-1-1 Tulare County

2-1-1 Tulare County connects our communities with resources, services, and opportunities. There are hundreds of different health/human service programs and community-benefit organizations listed in the 2-1-1 programs database, all just a click away.

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Internet Services - during Covid-19

Getting Internet Access: Available Plans

This page contains special offers extended by various internet providers throughout the state.

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Energy Assistance

Pacific Gas and Electric

COVID-19 Consumer Protections

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact our communities, we understand the increasing struggles facing our customers. We are committed to helping our customers throughout this crisis by providing financial assistance programs, tools and tips to save energy.

PGE



Energy Assistance

Southern California Edison Resources to Help You During Covid-19

<https://tinyurl.com/ycv9u8>

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON®
Energy for What's Ahead™

WE'LL GET THROUGH THIS TOGETHER.

During these unprecedented times, we're as focused as ever on safely providing the reliable service you expect and deserve. To our customers, communities and everyone on the frontlines in the battle to fight COVID-19 – we're here for you.

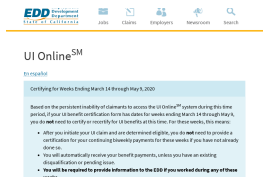
Employment Development Department/ WIB

Unemployment Insurance

UI Online

Based on the persistent inability of claimants to access the UI Online SM system during this time period, if your UI benefit certification form has dates for weeks ending March 14 through May 9, you do not need to certify or recertify for UI benefits at this time.

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Tulare County Child Welfare Services (CWS)

Services for families, adoption services

<https://tinyurl.com/y9meh8f8>

Child Welfare Services



For School Districts

Tulare County Office of Education

Distance Learning Resources for districts, children and families

<https://tinyurl.com/ycrmeuvl>

Distance Learning Resources Home

Tulare County Office of Education

Tim A. Hire, County Superintendent of Schools

CDE - Homeless Services

Printable Poster



Even if you have:

- Uncertain housing
- A temporary address
- No permanent physical address

You are guaranteed enrollment in school by the federal McKinney-Vento Act and California state law if you live:

- In a house or apartment with more than one family due to loss of housing or economic hardship
- With friends or family because you are a runaway or an unaccompanied youth
- In substandard housing (without electricity, water, or heat)
- In a shelter (family, domestic violence, or youth shelter or transitional living program)
- In a motel, hotel, or weekly rate housing
- In an abandoned building, in a car, at a campground, or on the streets

You can enroll in school immediately even without the documents normally required for enrollment, such as:

- Proof of residency
- Immunization records or other required health records

homelesspostereng.pdf

PDF document

WWW.CDE.CA.GOV

Family Resource Centers

Cutler-Orosi Family Education Center

Family Education Center

Due to COVID-19, our center is closed, but Family Education Center staff are still available, during regular business hours. Our team is continuing to provide case management services to families through phone check ins, virtual parenting sessions, and virtual meetings. Group sessions will be held remotely and home visits are postponed, until further notice.

COJUSD



Special Student Services / Learning Guidance & Student Support Center

DINUBA



Our Mission: The mission of the Learning, Guidance and Student Support Center is to provide support and services that are easily accessible to children and families of our community in order to remove barriers that affect learning and enhance their overall quality of life.

About Us: The Learning, Guidance and Student Support Center is located

C-Set Family Resource Centers

Earlimart & Tulare

Family Resource Centers - CSET

The Safe Care Program offered at the Tulare Family Resource Center has aided many families in their quest to be successful by providing parents with the tools and support they need to raise children in a loving home.

CSET

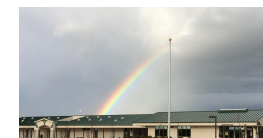


Lindsay Healthy Start

Healthy Start Family Resource Center * Departments - Lindsay Unified School District

EMPOWERING AND MOTIVATING FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW

LINDSAY



Parenting Network

Dinuba, Porterville, Visalia

Parenting Network

MISSION STATEMENT To improve the quality of life of children, including those with Intellectual and Physical disabilities, through family centered practices and through services and information to all families and to the professionals who serve them. **VISION STATEMENT** To empower families through education, skills and resources to become self-sufficient and sustain a higher quality of life for their children.

PARENTINGNETWORK



Learning & Guidance Center

Dinuba Unified

Woodlake Family Resource Center

<https://tinyurl.com/yd2dwe6d>

Woodlake Family Resource Center



Resource Parents/Caregivers

Emergency Childcare Bridge Program for Foster Children

Informational Brochure

<https://tinyurl.com/yb5o58sf>

Overview of State Program

<https://tinyurl.com/y7qrgh3t>



Zoom Cheat Sheet for Parents and Caregivers

English

<https://tinyurl.com/ycg2v49j>

Zoom Cheat-Sheet for parents & caregivers



A quick-start guide for getting started on the Zoom platform. Tips for before the meeting, how to join, waiting, and during the meeting.

Zoom_for_Parents_1_ENGLISH.pdf

PDF document

PADLET DRIVE

Child care for Essential Workers during Covid-19

<http://www.tcoe.org>

Send email to ewcc@tcoe.org



Tulare County Resource and Referral

Link for Local Child Care Resources

Tulare County Office of Education - Early Childhood Education Program

Resource & Referral Services Resource & Referral Services (R&R) is the link between parents and providers in Tulare County. R&R provides parents with facts about quality care and referrals to a variety of child care options. R&R services are available to any parent, regardless of income.

TCOE

P.O. Box 5091
Visalia, CA 93278-5091
(559) 733-6300

College/Postsecondary

COS Next Up Program

Assistance for Current/Formal Foster Youth

<https://tinyurl.com/y8ynm6fz>



Porterville College Next Up Program

Assistance for Current/Formal Foster Youth

<https://tinyurl.com/y7ma9n5h>



Reedley College Next Up Program

Assistance for Current/Former Foster Youth

Next Up

NextUp, is a component of the Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS). It offers a case-management approach to providing expanded support services to eligible current and former foster youth who are students within California's community college system.

REEDLEYCOLLEGE



Chafee Grant

Up to \$5,000/year available for Current/Former Foster Youth up until age 26 (*must have been in out-of-home care at least one day between ages of 16-18*)

<https://chafee.csac.ca.gov>

CALIFORNIA CHAFEE GRANT FOR FOSTER YOUTH

Free Money for Foster Youth for College or Career Training



Financial Aid (FAFSA)

Main Website for FAFSA Completion (*Current/Former Foster Youth can apply as an Independent Student if in foster care any time after age 13*)

<https://tinyurl.com/vvv7ke8>

Complete the FAFSA® Form

Use the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form to apply for financial aid for college or graduate school.

CCC Apply

Main Portal for Application to 115 CA Community Colleges

<https://cccapply.org/en/>



California
Community
Colleges

CCCApply

California College Pathways

Comprehensive website with statewide resources for Foster Youth Scholars

<http://www.cacollegepathways.org>