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California Family
Resource Association
Strong Families. Strong Communities.

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The California Family Resource Association (CFRA) is a statewide membership association of organizations and Networks that serve children and families. Its purpose is to advocate for the programs, policies, and resources that help families and communities thrive and succeed. CFRA builds the capacity of member organizations to impact policy change, partner with local government and community allies, and achieve sustainability. CFRA is housed within the Child Abuse Prevention Center.

At a Glance

- Network Structure: Independent Nonprofit
- Network Annual Budget: \$554,324
- Funding Sources:
 - California Department of Social Services Office of Child Abuse Prevention
 - Private foundations
 - Earned Income
- Types of Members:
 - Community-Based Programs: 82
 - Networks of Family Resource Centers: 24
 - Individuals: 12

Network Functions

- Connecting Members
- Training/Technical Assistance
- Working on Systems Change/Policy/Advocacy
- Pass-Through Funding to Members
- Marketing/Public Awareness Activities

Member Service Areas

- Parenting Support
- Access to Resources
- Family Development Services
- Child Development Services
- Parent Leadership Development
- Family Economic Success Activities
- Educational Activities
- Health/Wellness Activities
- Intentional Multiple Family Activities
- Community-Strengthening Activities

YEAR
FOUNDED

2005

NETWORK
MEMBERS

118



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MISSION STATEMENT:

- To connect family resource centers and allied organizations, networks, and community leaders in a member-driven, statewide network;
- To convene family-strengthening leaders for networking and working toward a shared vision;
- To communicate the value of family resource centers, networks, and programs and policies that strengthen families to policymakers and to the state.

Highlights

- August 2019: Secured passage of Senate Bill 436, establishing a definition of Family Resource Centers in state statute.
- January 2020: Merger between California Family Resource Association and the California Network of Family Strengthening Networks.
- January 2020: Piloted Train-the-Trainer for members in Vehicles for Change curriculum.
- April 2020: Secured \$3M in state COVID-19 Relief Funds to be distributed to Family Resource Centers through California Family Resource Association.
- October 2020: Developed Policy Agenda.
- July 2021: Established partnership with the California Training Institute to provide free Standards of Quality Certification Training.
- September 2021: Secured additional \$13M in Family Resource Center COVID-19 Relief Funds.
- February 2022: Established Equity & Community Voice Committee.
- 2022: Proposed \$40M for Family Resource Center funding in State Budget.

Outcomes

- Since 2020, CFRA increased membership from 40 to 118.
- CFRA distributed \$16M dollars in Family Resource Center COVID-19 Relief funding to Family Resource Centers who served over 191,000 Californians from 2020 to 2022. Funds were distributed to 54 of 58 California counties and 100 grantees.
- CFRA distributed \$80,000 for Child Tax Credit Outreach to 16 Family Resource Center grantees in 2022.

Standards of Quality Implementation

Standards of Quality



for Family Strengthening & Support

STANDARDS TRAINERS

10

CERTIFICATION TRAININGS

103

CERTIFIED INDIVIDUALS

2,940