



FAMILY AGENCY

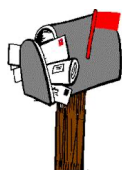
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****Important news****



All reimbursement checks will remain mailed out to your home due to COVID-19.

If you do not receive your reimbursement check within 7 days call the office for a replacement. As a reminder, due to COVID-19, some may receive their checks late and some may not. Karing 4 Kids cannot control the United States Postal Service and we are unable to stop payment of a check and or replace unless you have not received it by the 17th of the month.

Please continue with the protocol of social distancing, wearing your masks and hand sanitizing. If you need help with any of these items, please see your social worker or contact the office.

Thank you to all our foster parents

Karing 4 Kids thanks each and every one of you for your support with buying the fireworks pre-sold tickets. With your support, we made this year our highest selling year :)

You are very much appreciated.

THANK YOU!



Congratulations to the fireworks winners

1st Place: Chong Yang. *Pre-sold by SW Kee Yang*

2nd Place: Jesus Lopez. *Pre-sold by Nancy Lopez*

3rd Place: San Juana. *Pre-sold by SW Rosa Maria Rosales*



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Things to remember



Annul certification & Bonus

Dear resource parents, to qualify for an annual home inspection bonus please make sure to follow up with any deficiencies within 10 days, have completed training hours, and your file must be up to date.

Foster parent Training hours

Every applicant is required to complete 12 hours of annual training before the next anniversary date. For example, If Mr. and Mrs. became resource parent on 7/16/2019 they shall have 24 hours of training before the annual certification on 7/16/2020. All the training hours will have to be documented on your RFA update. If you have any questions regarding your training hours, please call the office. Thank you

NOTIFY CHANGES

If any resource homes have any changes in the home, such as: phone number, moving, new people moving in, etc., Foster parent(s) need to notify Karing for Kids or the social worker ASAP! It is a CCL regulation that every resource home has a landline telephone available within reach for children. Any person who is assisting with transporting children must have clearance from our office in order to be in compliance. You will need to provide auto insurance, a valid driver license, and the driver must be fingerprinted.

****Prudent parent standards may be utilized on a case by case basis**



CPR FRIST AID

If you need CPR/First Aid or Water Safety, please call office before it expires to schedule an appointment. Fresno office (559) 452-9500, Hanford office (559) 583-9500.



On call is always available. If for some reason the on-call line is not answering, please contact Danielle Vieira (559) 394-7166 to report.



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Executive Director's Corner



Hello everyone, I hope this newsletter finds you well. I know we are all hoping to get back to a sense of normalcy sooner then later. Karing 4 Kids would like to assure you that we are doing everything we can to continue to provide the yearly outings for our youth and resource parents. Most of you know our Easter and Summer BBQ's were cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The agency has already paid for both events and with hope, our money will carry over to the next year. As far as our annual Christmas event, we are diligently working on finding a location as most vendors are stating they are not booking that far in advance due to not allowing large gatherings due to COVID-19. The agency will continue the search and if unsuccessful, will still provide gifts and raffles as in previous years to the best of our ability. We are even looking into splitting the holiday event into two separate parties in hopes vendors will book with a smaller crowd. Any and all ideas are welcome and a survey may be sent out over the next few months regarding our annual holiday event. Karing 4 Kids values each and everyone of our resource parents and your input matters. Please contact me with any and all questions or suggestions at (559) 394-7166. 😊



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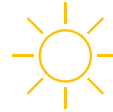
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Land Line

Per CCL regulations (section 88487.9), it is required that the resource family shall have a landline, cellular telephone, or internet telephone service in the home at all times.



Remember to keep up to date on your water safety training.

The training is good for three years and is required wherever a lifeguard is not on duty. If you frequent the lakes, beaches or a friend's pool, this training is required.



Shaken Baby Syndrome & Safe Sleep Training

This 1-hour training course addresses each of these critical topics related to caring for the youngest and most vulnerable population of children, infants, and toddlers. Childcare providers will learn how to optimize development and minimize risk to the children in their care.

Visit the website for more information

Trauma: Shaken Baby Syndrome:

<https://agrilifelearn.tamu.edu/catalog?pagename=SIDS-Shaken-Baby-and-Brain-Development>

Safe Sleep: Reducing Infant-related deaths (SIDS)

<https://agrilifelearn.tamu.edu/product?catalog=COFS-088>



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Additional Notes



- If a resource parent is looking into moving, please allow the agency a minimum of 30 days if possible, to assure the proper paperwork is completed for the state. We understand emergencies arise and we will work with you to assure placement disruption does not occur.
- Also, if a minor's visitation needs to be cancelled for any reason, please inform your social worker. We may be able to provide assistance as contracted counties do not like when visits are cancelled as they are court ordered.
- Resource parents are unable to waive 14 day notices on behalf of a minor dependent. The waiving of a 14 day notice must come from a Karing 4 Kids supervisor. Please direct the county to contact our office if this should happen.
- Please assure when on the placement list and or have current minors in your home, a current phone number is provided to all service providers. It is also prevalent that resource parents answer their phones or get back to a service provider within a 24 hour period.