



CHILDREN'S BUREAU ADVOCACY CORNER

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The Children's Bureau Advocacy Program works to shape a policy environment where our trusted team can collaborate with community partners to enable children to thrive.

That advocacy takes shape through our leadership in broad coalitions – with CEO Ron Brown serving as President of the [California Alliance of Child and Family Services](#) and our select staff appointed to the [premiere initiative](#) to make California's Mandated Reporter laws more equitable and effective. We also encourage our local elected officials to prioritize child abuse prevention in their efforts. **Thanks to our agency's partnership with [Council Member Eunisses Hernandez](#), the LA City Hall building will be lit blue in honor of Child Abuse Prevention Month April 26-28.**

And through our direct legislative advocacy, we support a slate of bills and budget positions to nurture child well-being.

The Children's Bureau 2024 Policy Agenda focuses on:

- Providing Childcare and Early Childhood Development Programs
- Ensuring Children and Their Families are in Good Health
- Alleviating Poverty and Homelessness
- Building Strong Communities through Innovative Supports
- Caring for Children Separated from Their Parents

Those who are interested in finding out how to take action can [click here for our effective advocacy tips](#).



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If you need more info or have questions about the Children's Bureau Advocacy Program, please email advocacy@all4kids.org.

The Children's Bureau Advocacy Program provides trusted input to key policymakers, educating them on the positive power of prevention to make our communities strong and stop child maltreatment. But we don't do it alone. Every person involved in our movement plays a meaningful role building momentum around more prevention, spreading its effects further to create a world where every child is safe to grow.

Children's Bureau of Southern California 2024 Policy Agenda

Creating a World Where Every Child is Safe to Grow

Though our direct legislative advocacy, Children's Bureau supports a slate of bills and budget positions to prevent abuse and nurture child well-being. Together, we focus on:

Providing Childcare and Early Childhood Development Programs

AB 1930 (Reyes)

Increases Access to Childcare by Allowing Providers to Remain in the Workforce

AB 2982 (Reyes)

Protects Early Childhood Initiatives by Creating Plans to Counter First 5 Shortfalls

Ensuring Children and Their Families are in Good Health

Budget: Continuous Medi-Cal Coverage from Age 0-5

Keeps Vulnerable Children Healthy by Eliminating Paperwork Issues Causing Missed Medical Treatment

Federal Senate Bill 3196

Protects the Health of Foster Youth by Ensuring Medicaid Continuity

SB 909 (Umberg)

Supports Healthcare Systems in Underserved Areas by Attracting More Physicians

AB 2466 (Carrillo, W.)

Boosts Health for Low-Income Families by Pushing Managed Care Plans to Provide Timely Appointments

Alleviating Poverty and Homelessness

AB 2343 (Schiavo)

Connects Services to Families Experiencing Homelessness and Domestic Violence by Providing Navigation through Childcare Programs

SB 1107 (Durazo)

Connects Homeless Individuals with Safety Net Programs by Ensuring they Receive Mail Regarding Public Benefits

AB 2191 (Santiago)

Increases Financial Stability by Supporting CBOs that Promote Tax Rebates like EITC and the Young Child Tax Credit

Building Strong Communities through Innovative Supports

Federal Budget: Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) Grant Expansion

Enhances Child Well-Being by Supporting Community Efforts such as Family Resource Centers

AB 2071 (Carrillo, J.)

Improves Education for Students Whose Home Language is Not English by Increasing English Learner School Programs

Caring for Children Separated From Their Parents

Budget: Foster Family Agency (FFA) COLA Relief

Permanent Rate Structure: California Alliance Counter Proposal

Finds Loving Homes for Maltreated Children by Enabling Organizations that Recruit and Support Resource Families to Continue Operations

Budget: Family Urgent Response System (FURS) Funding

Helps Foster Families Stay Together by Continuing the Successful Crisis Intervention Hotline

AB 2224 (Santiago)

Cares for Maltreated Immigrant Children by Providing Social Services Throughout the Permanent Residency Process

AB 1952 (Dixon)

Supports Foster Youth Who are Parents by Enabling Placements that Care for Them to Continue Operations

AB 2108 (Ramos)

Reduces Trafficking of Foster Youth by Ramping-up Efforts to Find Those that Go Missing

For more information on each of these items, please visit all4kids.org/advocacy.

COMING SOON...



As we celebrate our 120th Anniversary, Children's Bureau is proud to announce we will soon be All For Kids. This name change embraces how all of us – partners, families, and communities – work together to create a world where every child is safe to grow. Stay tuned for the launch of our new look in Summer 2024!