



**Family Resource Centers
Community Message**

July 2nd, 2024

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

You may be wondering what is happening with FIRST 5 Family Resource Centers (FRCs)?

- Starting July 1, 2024, some Family Resource Centers will not receive funding from FIRST 5.
- Some of these Centers may close. And some of these Centers may operate on their own with other funding sources.

Why is this happening?

- FIRST 5 is a public agency that gets most of its money from a tax called Prop 10 to support families and expectant parents with children under 6 years old. Sadly, we will have \$3 million less money this year compared to last year.
- In September 2023, FIRST 5, with the community, finished a new strategic plan. The plan included a new project called the "Stronger Systems, Stronger Families Initiative." This project will help families get what they need to be healthy, safe, and well.

How will this change impact families using Resource Centers?

- Families may experience a change in services or might find they can get services at a different location. For example, different centers may offer diapers, parenting classes, and programs for children.
- Families will still be able to find and have access to Resource Centers in Santa Clara County. See list of Centers on the back of this flyer.
- These Centers are safe and welcoming places where families with children 0-5 years old can get help connecting to services like food, safety, and support for their children's health and well-being.
- We encourage families to visit their local Resource Center and get more involved.

Where can families go for services if their local Family Resource Center is closing?

- Starting July 2024, families can stop by any Resource Center listed on the back of this flyer.
- Please visit the FIRST 5 website for an updated list of Resource Centers: <https://first5parents.org/frc/>.

**Note: Families might experience some delays in getting services as new Centers are being set up.*

If you have any questions, or would like to learn more about the work of FIRST 5, please call or email us:

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Thank you,
FIRST 5 Santa Clara County