

Resources for Foster Youth and Homeless Students impacted by COVID 19 and school closures.

Service Agencies	
The Dream Center Foster Youth Resource Center	Please keep the following phone numbers handy and reach out if you need help: • TAY FOD – 661.868.8310 or if no answer call the TAY after hours line at 661.859.8118 ❖ 24/7 Crisis line 800.991.5272 • Need to talk to someone about CalFresh or MediCal? Call 661.636.4986 and leave a message with your phone number. Someone will call you back within 48 hours. • Need to talk to a DHS Social Worker or your ILP bus pass? Call your Worker's cell phone or 661.556.0372, Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. • Need to talk to a Probation Officer? Call 661.396.4560, Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m Youth who get their mail here can come on Tuesdays between 2:00 and 4:00 and pick it up. If you have a question about your mail, you can call 661.636.4488 number and leave a voicemail message and someone will call you back.
Foster Care Ombudsperson	FOSTER YOUTH & CAREGIVERS in CALIFORNIA - is COVID19 impacting you? Need help or have questions? The Foster Care Ombudsperson is here for you 7 days a week 8:00a-5:00p. Give us a call: 1-877-846-1602.
2-1-1 Information and Referral System	CAPK's 2-1-1 service is in full operation, linking the public with human services assistance from 1,500 agencies at all times of the day and night 365 days a year. Please call 2-1-1 or visit our website at www.211kerncounty.org and talk to our call center staff about your need today.
Kern Behavioral Health & Recovery Services	KernBHRS is closing Oswell clinic and will utilize Commonwealth as their hub for services. The main number for if you need assistance with services for a KernBHRS is 868-8300. Providers also will continue essential services as well. If there is a need, you may continue to call their main numbers for assistance. KernBHRS will be transitioning to increase tele health and phone services, they will triage others that may need more intensified services. In regards to medication, they will be transitioning these services to Tele-health services as well. If you need assistance please reach out to child's assigned provider or if you see systemic issues you may contact commonwealth.

Bakersfield Pregnancy Center	The Bakersfield Pregnancy Center is open and is able to serve clients for Pregnancy Medical Verification's, Pre-Natal Vitamins, and emergency material assistance. They are also still doing ultrasounds for the first trimester at the discretion of the Registered Nurse. Please call 661-326-1907 for an appointment or for more information regarding available services.
East Kern Family Resource Center (Mojave)	The East Kern Family Resource Center continues to operate. The Play & Learn classroom will be closed. Case management services will be conducted through phone or video conferencing.
CAPK CalWorks Home Visitation	The CalWORKS Home Visitation Program continues to operate at this time. Staff are working directly with clients through telephone and email systems.
College/University	
Bakersfield College	Bakersfield College continues to operate through an online environment. Contact your advisor/counselor at the college at (661) 395-3011 for assistance and to evaluate your options.
Food	
School Meals	USDA issued a nationwide waiver that will allow districts to serve school meals to parents without a child being present. https://t.co/50soPoP5ky?amp=1
Boys & Girls Club 7 Days Lunches/Breakfast for ages 2-18	Expanded meal service for children in the community during the COVID-19 crisis at five serving locations to include Saturdays and Sundays starting 3/28/20. To reduce the frequency that families have to leave their home to pick up meals, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Kern County will be providing "supper" along with "breakfast" for the following day at each of their "grab and go" meal service locations. LOCATIONS: David Head Center 10300 San Diego Street, Lamont, Ca. 93241 Meal Service (2:00 PM) Arvin Children's Center 800 Walnut Drive, Arvin, Ca. 93203 Meal Service (2:00 PM) Lamont Club 8301 Segrue, Lamont, Ca 93241

	Meal Service (3:00 PM) Armstrong Youth Center 801 Niles Street, Bakersfield, Ca 93305 Meal Service (3:00 PM) Stockdale Club 5207 Young Street, Bakersfield, Ca 93311 Meal Service (3:00 PM)
Free Meal Program	The Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Community Center 1000 S. Owens <u>Monday-Friday 1:30pm-3:30pm</u> For ages 2-18 ONLY For more information call (661)322-9874
Williams Elementary (BCSD)	If you are a family in need of a food basket, contact Nicole Evans at 661-631-4927. Please have the following information ready: 1. Name/Pickup Name (if different) 2. Number of Adults/Children 3. Phone Number 4. Language Spoken
Calvary Bakersfield, Catholic Charities, Salvation Army	View PDF schedules for each agency in our Google Drive for each agency: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1dWtxM6VRZzBG-8OOngVCCJtMw2Ujtfbs
CAPK Food Bank	Emergency Food: CAPK Food Bank will be having a drive through commodity distribution pick up at the following locations with times, Monday March 23rd from 11am to 1 pm at West High School 1200 New Stine rd. Tuesday March 24th from 11am to 1 pm at East High School 2200 Quincy St. Wednesday March 25th from 11am to 1 pm at Bakersfield High School 1241 G Street. Thursday March 26th from 11am to 1 pm at South High School 1101 Planz Rd. Friday March 27th from 11am to 1 pm at North High School 300 Galaxy Ave. This will be an on going distribution for the next couple of weeks, it will be first come first serve.
BCSD FACE Department	For BCSD families, the FACE Department will still be aiding with Gleaners Food Baskets; if you are in need of this service please give us a call at 661-631-4927.
CAPK WIC	Community Action Partnership of Kern's Women, Infants and Children program is in full operation using telephones and other communication technologies to provide assistance and education to young families. The new WIC card allows staff to connect families with their benefits

	without meeting in person.
CSUB Students	CSUB Food Pantry: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday; 2 to 6 p.m. Tuesday; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday; 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday. Closed Friday.
Families First Coronavirus Response Act (HR 6201)	• Allows USDA to approve state plans to provide emergency SNAP assistance to households with children who would otherwise receive meals if not for their schools being closed due to the COVID-19 emergency. • Suspends the work/work training requirements for SNAP during this crisis. • Allows USDA to issue nationwide school meal waivers during the emergency • Provides \$500 million to provide access to nutritious foods to low-income pregnant women or mothers with young children who lose their jobs or are laid off due to the emergency. • Provides \$400 million to the Emergency Food Assistance Program to help food banks meet increased demand.
Health Care	
Kern Family Health Care (KFHC) Foster Youth 18 and older, Medi-cal eligible adults	All foster youth who received Dream Center services and are 18 or older (including AB 12) are eligible to switch from straight Medi-Cal to KFHC services. They offer a continuum of services (e.g. optometry and transportation to medical and mental health appointments during normal times), and key to the COVID-19 outbreak – KFHC members can use Urgent Care services instead of solely relying ER rooms. Accelerated Urgent Care is a provider that accepts KFHC, and they do COVID-19 testing. Straight Medi-Cal does not offer the same level of services. To switch from Straight Medi-Cal to KFHC, foster youth can call 1-800-430-4263 and it will take approximately 30 days to take effect. If you are not feeling well and need to switch ASAP, you can call 1-888-452-8609, let them know that you aren't feeling well and need to see a KFHC Dr. or Urgent Care Facility ASAP. The change can be in effect in 24 hours at that point.
Kern Family Health Care	Kern Family Health Care remains open for our Members, Partners and Providers by phone assistance (lobby is closed). If a member has questions or concerns, please call 661-632-1590 (in Bakersfield) or 1-800-391-2000 (outside of Bakersfield). This is also a great time to create or log into the Member Portal or LiNK app. to access the many helpful self-service tools available. What KFHC is doing to help you and your family stay safe and get the care you need. • We will cover the cost of medically necessary screenings, testing and treatment for COVID-19 (see how to get care below).

	• We are working with our contracted providers to provide telehealth (see what telehealth is below). • We will quickly respond to requests from your doctor for approvals of medically necessary treatment. • We may waive prior authorization of your prescription if there is a shortage of your prescribed medicine and your doctor prescribes a different drug for you. • We are extending your prescription supply from a 60 day supply to a 90 day supply for maintenance medications (medicines that treat conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, high blood pressure and asthma). • We will provide transportation if you do not have transportation and need to be seen by your doctor or go to the urgent care. Click here to learn more about the transportation benefit.
Dignity Health	Dignity Health announced that it is offering a free, virtual urgent care option starting Friday to anyone in the community who needs to see a doctor, including people experiencing mild to moderate symptoms of COVID-19. The following options are available to access the program for arranging a virtual visit: • go to www.dignityhealth.org/virtualcareanywhere • download the Virtual Care Anywhere app in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store • call 855-356-8053 and use the coupon code COVID19.
Child Care	
Boys & Girls Club	Club will continue to operate at three separate facility-based program sites and extend hours from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm to create day camp settings while schools are closed. The three Club locations, Armstrong Youth Center (East Bakersfield), Stockdale Club (Southwest Bakersfield), and Lamont Club, will be accepting new members, extending programs, and serving meals. Our primary goal is to provide full-day activities for school-age children of first responders, healthcare professionals, essential community personnel, and those parents/guardians who must work to maintain employment. • Armstrong Youth Center 801 Niles Street Bakersfield, CA 93305 661-325-3730 • Lamont Club 8301 Segrue Rd Lamont, CA 93241 661-845-4523 • Stockdale Club 5207 Young St. Suite 200 Bakersfield, CA 93311 661-663-8733
Friendship House Community Center	Friendship House's after-school program remains open with participation capped at 50 students. Students are separated into groups of 10 or less in separate rooms to comply with safety directions from State local health agencies. Food distributions and other

	Friendship House Community Center activities have been canceled in the interest of safety.
Migrant Childcare Alternative Payment	Our Migrant Childcare Alternative Payment program remains operational. Clients who use this program to find childcare across California are encouraged to call if they have any questions or concerns regarding the program.
Shafter Youth Center	Shafter Youth Center's afterschool program remains open under modified conditions. Food distributions have been canceled in the interest of safety.
K-12 Schools	
BCSD	The Bakersfield City School District is providing online Distance Learning packets and distributing homework packets at school sites to all of our students, including our McKinney Vento & Foster students. In addition, the McKinney Vento Program has again reached out to our great partner, the staff at the Bakersfield Homeless Shelter Champ Camp After School Program to provide the Distance study packets to all of our BCSD students and other district students living at the shelter during this time. BCSD is also ensuring our students have healthy, nutritious meals. Limited school site staff will be at all school sites to make pick up meals available to our students and families during 11:00-1:00 PM during the week.
Kern High	Kern High School District school sites will be closed to students beginning Wednesday, March 18. All schools and continuation schools operated by KHSD will serve "grab and go" meals between the hours of 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Monday through Friday. Students can either receive meals at the drive-through location established at the bus-loading zone or walk to the pick-up location to receive lunch and breakfast for the following day. If driving, we ask that parents and students remain in their vehicles while Nutrition Services distributes meals to each child in the car. Students need to be present to receive their meals. School site offices will also be closed beginning on Thursday, March 19 and will be very minimally staffed. Please call the school site number available on the KHSD website if you need to request assistance. This number is also posted on the front entry to the school site. Any student in need of a Chromebook to complete their schoolwork and interact with their teachers should call their school site today or tomorrow to schedule a time to pick one up. Click this link for the school directory: https://www.kernhigh.org/apps/pages/schooldirectory

KCSOS (Food Services)	During the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) school closure, the KCSOS Nutrition Services Department will provide families with the opportunity to pick up meals for their children at no cost. Lunch will be provided, along with breakfast for the next day, between 11 a.m and 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the locations listed below. Children 18 and under must be present to receive their meal. Meal service is “Grab N Go” and may not be consumed on premises. Service line options will include a drive-thru (in the parking lot) and a pick-up table for those families walking to the campus. When going through the drive-thru, please stay in your vehicle. Meals for the children will be passed through based on the number of children in the car. Schools open for meal pick-up during school closure: North Kern Community School Kelly F. Blanton Education Center 34th Street Community Learning Center East Kern Community School Valley Oaks Charter Schools Bakersfield Valley Oaks Charter School Richardson Child Development Center Aurora School If participation numbers at a school site are too low to support being opened, school sites may be consolidated during the closure. Meals cannot be consumed on the site.
Housing	
Statewide Moratorium on Evictions	Governor Gavin Newsom today issued an executive order banning the enforcement of eviction orders for renters affected by COVID-19 through May 31, 2020. The order prohibits landlords from evicting tenants for nonpayment of rent and prohibits enforcement of evictions by law enforcement or courts. It also requires tenants to declare in writing, no more than seven days after the rent comes due, that the tenant cannot pay all or part of their rent due to COVID-19. https://www.gov.ca.gov/2020/03/27/governor-newsom-takes-executive-action-to-establish-a-statewide-moratorium-on-evictions/
HUD/FHA	Foreclosure and eviction moratorium for single family homeowners with FHA-insured mortgages for the next 60 days (effective March 18, 2020): https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/OCHCO/documents/20-04hsqml.pdf
Together We Rise - USA	If you are or know of a foster youth that is staying at the college dorm room that is going to be closed due to the corona virus please email info@togetherwerise.org and we will provide or help you find housing during this transition. https://www.togetherwerise.org/
UHaul -USA and Canada	President John “JT” Taylor announced that U-Haul will extend 30 days of free self-storage at U-Haul-owned and -operated facilities to help college students impacted by unforeseen schedule changes at their universities. The free month applies to new customers with college IDs and is a limited-time offer subject to availability. Click on

	uhaul.com/storage to find the store nearest you. Contact the store by phone or visit in person to take advantage of the off. Read more: https://www.uhaul.com/Articles/About/20625/College-Students-U-Haul-Offers-30-Days-Free-Self-Storage-amid-Coronavirus-Outbreak/
Utilities	
CAPK Utility Assistance	Utility Assistance services provided by CAPK Energy will continue to be available to eligible low-income residents. Applications for services should be mailed or dropped off at our CAPK Energy Offices at 300 19th Street, Bakersfield CA 93301. On-site client assistance will be limited to a case-by-case basis to protect the public. PG&E and Southern California Edison have issued notices that they will suspend utility shutoffs in the current circumstances. The CAPK Energy in-home weatherization program, in the interest of protecting our clients, will not operate at this time.
PG&E	No disconnections: PG&E will not disconnect any customer's power for nonpayment during this health crisis. PG&E also has a program in place called CARE that helps reduce bills for customers facing economic hardships. Visit www.pge.com/care.
Internet/Phone/Distance Learning	
Kern High School District Students	Any student in need of a Chromebook to complete their schoolwork and interact with their teachers should call their school site today or tomorrow to schedule a time to pick one up. Click this link for the school directory: https://www.kernhigh.org/apps/pages/schooldirectory
Laptops	Current and aged out foster youth who need a laptop for remote learning can email info@onesimplewish.org .
CSUB students	Chromebooks are still available, we have lab A open from 9am - 6pm, and support is available via appointment (walkup.csub.edu) or by calling 661-654-4357
iFoster (California)	iFoster can provide free cell phones that serve as hot spots to foster youth in California and students that identify as homeless. These phones come with an unlimited data plan and headsets. The Community College Chancellor's Office has stepped up to help coordinate distribution across all systems . If you are interested, you can respond to this very short survey and they will coordinate with

	iFoster to get the phones to your campuses in as timely a manner as possible. A flyer with additional information is attached.
iFoster	iFoster has an extensive program that provides youth with phones that have unlimited WiFi enabled on them. This program is not limited in funding and is available to both students in k-12 and in college. At this time there are plenty of phones available. The tech specs for the phone are as follows: New Moto e6, Boost mobile 3G, unlimited talk & texts, unlimited data with 3GB high speed, unlimited mobile hotspot, SD Video. If you'd like to request these phones for your youth, you can send the attached list of names and DOB directly to serita@ifoster.org
Free Internet	Comcast, Spectrum and AT&T are offering free or discounted internet service for your home for a limited time. WHAT YOU NEED TO DO Review the offers from either Comcast or Spectrum Decide which provider would be best for you or is available in your area. Submit the offer. Comcast: 2 free months for new users Speed at 25Mbps down and 3 Mbps up (impacts all internet essential users) Please use this link to sign up at https://www.internetessentials.com/covid19 Spectrum: 2 free months for new users for K-12 and/or college students Up to 100 Mbps – must call 844-488-8395 Charter will open WiFi hotspots for public use https://www.spectrum.com/browse/content/spectrum-internet-assist AT&T offers the information below: Unlimited home internet for low income at \$10/month (see link below) or call 800-288-2020. Will not terminate service due to non-payment. Waive late payment fees. Keep public WiFi hotspots open. https://m.att.com/shopmobile/internet/access/

Other Telecommunication Plans	Verizon issued a statement saying it would waive any late fees and not terminate any service for the next 60 days.
Distance Learning	School sites Zoom is temporarily lifting the 40-minute time limit on free Basic accounts for schools affected by the Coronavirus. Here's how to get access for your school. https://zoom.us/docs/ent/school-verification.html?zcid=1231&_ga=2.228851412.995105639.1583699918-735451631.1546545079
Tutoring/Learning Support	
Kern High School District Students	Students: Please access the VIRTUAL TUTORING schedule using the following link: https://bit.ly/3aeqG99 Students can also get the Microsoft Teams' app on a tablet or smartphone, or can go to https://teams.microsoft.com on either a desktop or laptop. Use school email address to log-on.
Khan Academy	Khan Academy is a great online learning tool for grades K-12 . It's aligned with state standards and common core and can track your child's progress and personalize learning according to your child's strengths and weaknesses.
Daily Schedule	Khan Academy has published a suggested "school day" schedule for telelearning: https://schoolclosures.org/khan-academy-sample-schedule
Free Tutoring for K-12 and College	Merlot is a resource for online simulations and learning activities across all disciplines. This web site has links to free learning resources at www.merlot.org
Income/Employment	
Unemployment Benefits (national)	https://www.reuters.com/article/usa-economy-labor/u-s-labor-department-allows-unemployment-benefits-for-coronavirus-idUSW1N29L03G?utm_source=share&utm_medium=ios_app&utm_name=iossmf&fbclid=IwAR16T0rwyFJxjiPmYJIRn8ApCrzUJybRfKxuOPpZfKiNx5MSJKpq89uAHcA
Unemployment Benefits (California)	Benefits for workers impacted by COVID-19 are posted in a helpful summary chart by Labor and Workforce Development Agency here . There are three options for workers affected by COVID-19. Sick or quarantined Californians who are unable to work due to having or being exposed to the virus can file a Disability Insurance (DI) claim

	online. If you're unable to work because you're taking care of a sick or quarantined relative with COVID-19, you can file a Paid Family Leave (PFL) claim, according to EDD. Californians whose hours have been reduced by their employer or who have lost their job due to their employer shutting down operations, can file an Unemployment Insurance (UI) claim.
CAPK's VITA (Tax Assistance) Program	CAPK's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program will continue to operate in order to provide assistance to clients during this unique tax season. Face-to-face appointments will not be held in the interest of protecting client health. VITA will be accepting "drop-off" paperwork at their offices at 300 19th Street in downtown Bakersfield.
Taxes	Tax day extended to July 15, 2020 for federal and California taxes (Announced 3/20/2020)
Travel	
discounted student flights (Frontier)	Students can now fly free** on Frontier Airlines to nearly 100 destinations, making student travel easier and more affordable than ever. One student can fly free for every round-trip Discount Den Fare purchased on qualifying flights and dates. In addition to the Students Fly Free** offer, students with a .edu email address who sign up for a new Discount Den membership and book a flight will receive a flight voucher for future use, valued at \$59.99*, which is equivalent to the cost of an annual Discount Den membership. More information is available at http://www.studentsflyfree.com/