

# RESOURCE FAMILY APPROVAL

April is a very important month, as it is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. We invest in Yolo County children by investing in our community. Help us bring attention to the different ways we can help children and families thrive. #ChildAbusePreventionMonth #Yolo County. Increased awareness and collective action are key factors in conquering child abuse and neglect. Friends and neighbors can pay closer attention and help with the social isolation that some parents may experience. Business leaders can recognize that supporting families and children will lead to economic growth. Policymakers can reduce the hurdles faced by families who need support and resources. Faith communities can offer their spaces for parent and youth activities.

Our team is excited for the May Appreciation event on Saturday 6, 2023 from 11am to 2pm with an outdoor event in our parking lot. We are excited to see all of you, meet newcomers, have the opportunity to engage with each other, and have some fun. Please join us for this celebration in May in recognition of all that you do for us year after year.

## RFA Event Dates:

**May Appreciation Event Picnic: May 6th, 2023**

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# NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH



Approximately 1.8 million children received prevention services in fiscal year 2021.

Approximately two-thirds of victims received post-response services (such as family preservation, family support, or foster care) because of needs discovered during an investigation or alternative response.

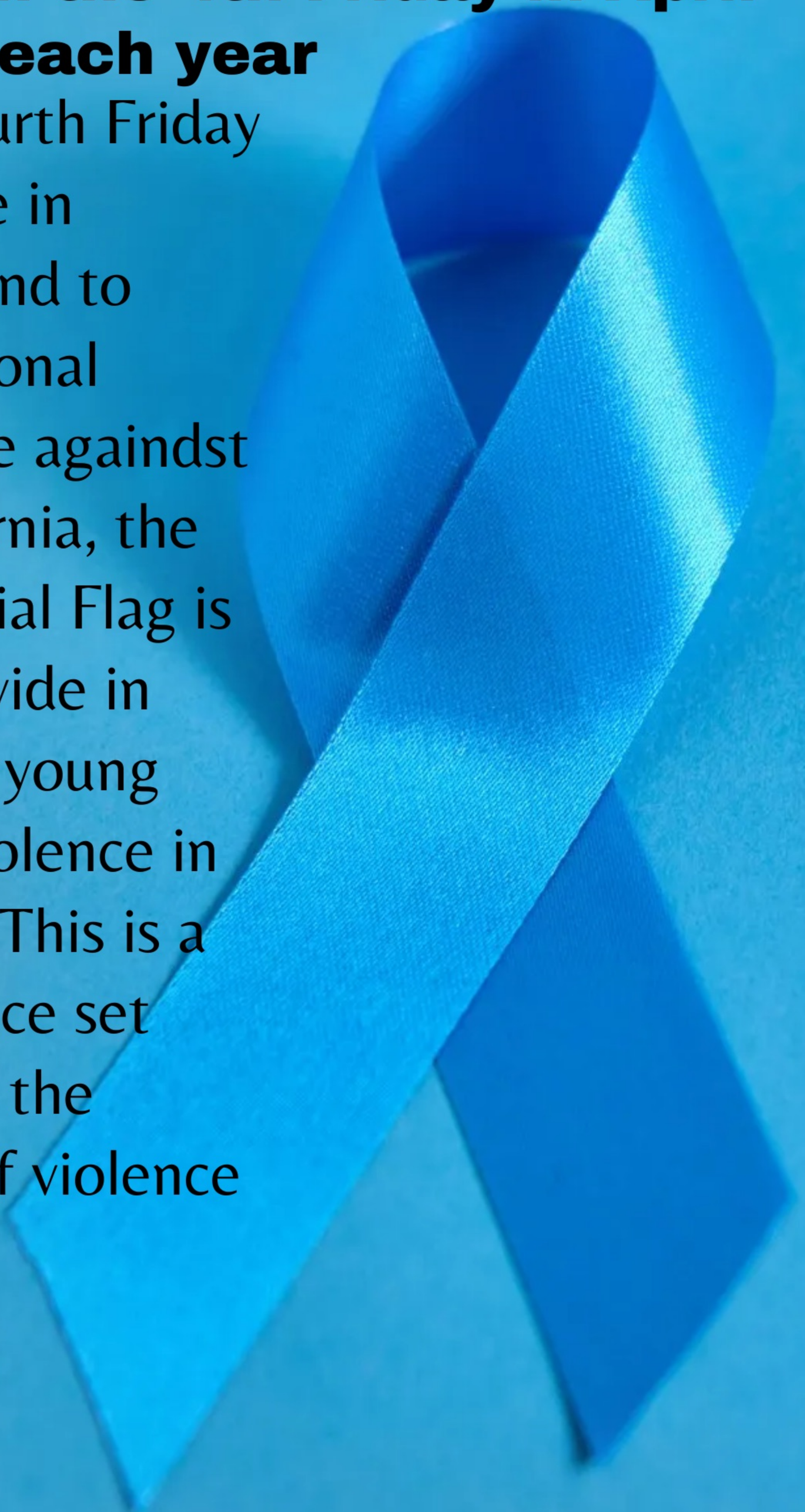
During fiscal year 2021, fewer than one-quarter of confirmed victims were removed from their homes because of an investigation or alternative response.

<https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/preventing/preventionmonth/about/child-maltreatment-data/>



# **Children's Memorial Flag Day is recognized on the 4th Friday in April each year**

Every year, the fourth Friday in April is set aside in remembrance of and to recognize the national tragedy of violence against children. In California, the Children's Memorial Flag is to be flown statewide in memory of all the young lives lost due to violence in the previous year. This is a day of remembrance set aside to recognize the national tragedy of violence against children.





# **April 19, 2023 — Digital Advocacy Day**

Participate in Prevent Child Abuse America's nationwide digital advocacy day on April 19th. Contact your Congress person to advocate for increased investments in Title II, Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) grants, of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA), Which provides states and communities with resources to implement community-based solutions for the prevention of child abuse and neglect.

[https://oneclickpolitics.global.ssl.fastly.net/messages/edit?promo\\_id=19662](https://oneclickpolitics.global.ssl.fastly.net/messages/edit?promo_id=19662)

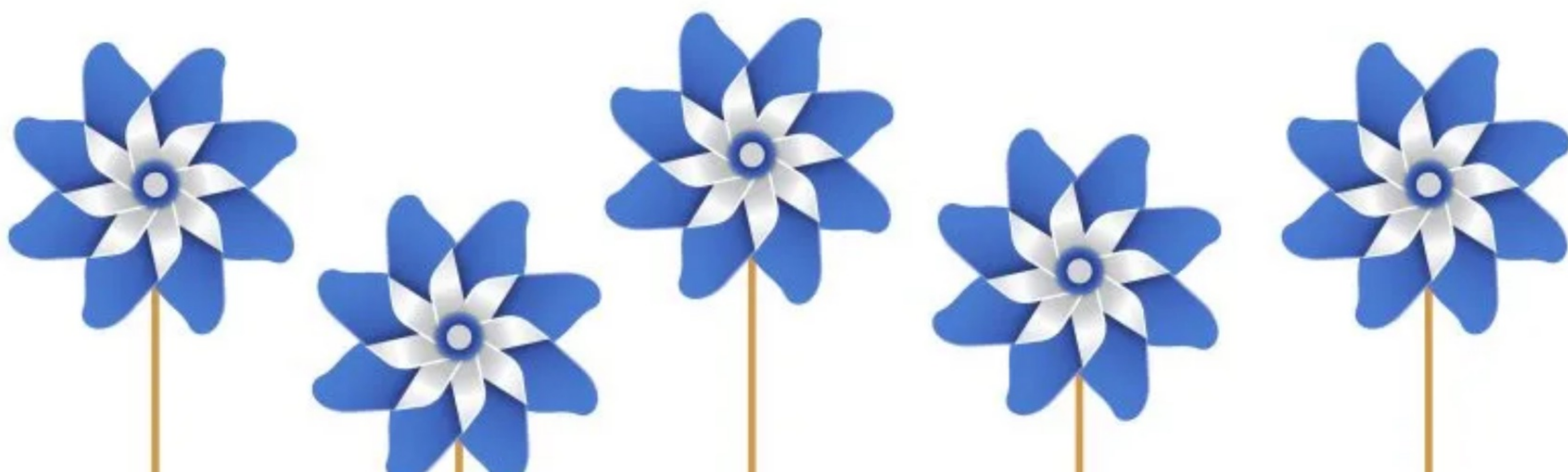




# FACTS ABOUT CHILD ABUSE

- An estimated 1 in 10 children will be sexually abused before age 18.
- In 90% or more of child sexual abuse cases, the child is abused by someone he or she knows and trusts.
- 60% of children who are sexually abused are abused by people the family trusts.
- An estimated 9 out of 10 cases of child sexual abuse are never reported.
- The average sexual abuse “incident” is not a one-time event. Rather, it is an ongoing cycle of exploitation that lasts for one or more years.
- Sexual abuse of children occurs in every class, race, religion, neighborhood, cultural and ethnic group.
- The National Center on Child Abuse and Neglect estimates as many as 100,000 to 200,000 children are physically abused each year. Five times as many are neglected.
- Abuse is the second leading cause of death, behind Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, for children 0-5 years of age.
- Domestic violence is any physical or emotional behavior perpetrated by one person toward another to control the other person’s behavior, regardless of injury or frequency of incident.
- Children in homes where domestic violence occurs are physically abused or neglected at a rate 1500% higher than the national average.

<https://blountkids.org/facts-about-child-abuse/>







# HOW TO OBSERVE CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

## **1. Raise Awareness on Social Media**

Start by following us on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn so you can stay educated, spread awareness, and learn more about prevention efforts across the state.

## **2. Plant a Pinwheel Home Kit**

Plant a pinwheel garden in your own front yard!

## **3. Wear Blue**

Wear blue on Friday, April 7 for Wear Blue Day, take a selfie, and share on your social media channels with the hashtags #PassthePinwheel & #GreatChildhoods.

## **4. Attend Local Child Abuse Prevention Month Events**

You can help prevent child abuse by attending a press conference to show solidarity, volunteering to plant pinwheels with local organizations, running a 5k, eating ramen noodles (yes, you read that right), or taking your kids to the park!

<https://www.preventchildabuse.nc.org/7-simple-ways-to-show-support-during-child-abuse-prevention-month/>



# TIPS TO MOTIVATE YOUR CHILD TO LEARN

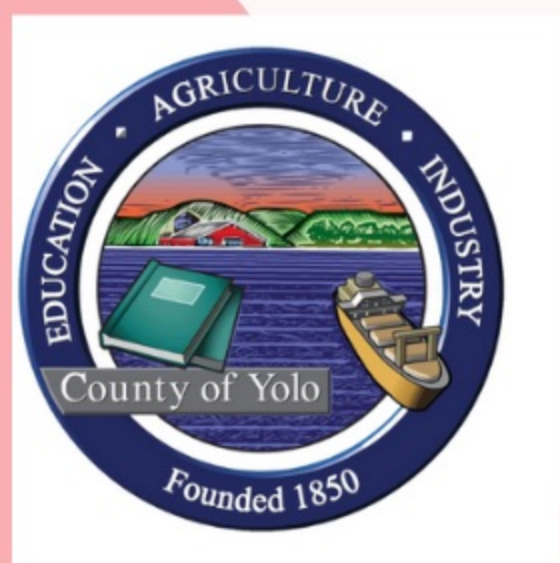
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RECOGNIZE AND  
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SUCCESS







TIPS TO REDUCE YOUR CHILD TO

# FEEL LESS ANGRY & EMOTIONAL

01.

MAINTAIN CONTROL OF YOUR OWN EMOTIONS & ABSTAIN FROM OUTBURSTS OF ANGER.

02.

WHEN YOUR YOUNGSTER DEMONSTRATES GOOD CONDUCT, PRAISE THEM EARNESTLY.

03.

WHEN YOUR CHILD ENCOUNTERS A DIFFICULTY, ASSIST THEM IN PROBLEM SOLVING.

04.

ASSIST YOUR CHILD IN EXPRESSING HIS OR HER FEELINGS VERBALLY OR VIA COPING MECHANISMS SUCH AS STOMPING

05.

AVOID PLACING YOUR KID IN AN UNPLEASANT ATMOSPHERE OR PROVIDING THEM WITH TOYS THAT ARE TOO SOPHISTICATED FOR THEIR AGE.





# ***RESOURCE FAMILY PRE-APPROVAL SERIES LINKS & DATES***

**LINK to OPEN all of the CLASSES & to Register: Register in advance for this meeting:**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZckceGhqT0pG9Zrz68a-CtXYLCS57Nsd596>**

**After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.**

## **April 11th 6 to 9:00 pm**

- **RFA Class 1: Introduction to Child Welfare & a Dependency Overview, Presented by Social Worker Britney Webb**

## **April 13th 6 to 9:00 pm**

- **RFA Class 2: Early Adversity, the Impact of Trauma, Abuse, Neglect and Loss, Presented by Cherie Schroeder**

## **April 18th 6 to 9:00 pm**

- **RFA Class 3: Education & Health, Community Supports, and Reproductive and Health Rights, Presented by Katelyn Woods**

## **April 19th 6 to 9:00 pm**

- **RFA Class 4: Positive Parenting, Presented by Lynn Arner, Child Development Specialist and Parenting Coach**

## **April 20th 6 to 9:00 pm**

- **RFA Class 5: Making Your Home a Safe Haven, Presented by Cherie Schroeder & Jasmine Harris, Former Foster Youth**







CALIFORNIA  
ALLIANCE of  
CAREGIVERS

California Alliance of Caregivers (CAC) represents the voices of relative and non-relative caregivers (foster & kinship parents) to promote the well-being of children in foster care.

Trainings are free with them:

- Textured Hair Care Level I with Styles 4 Kidz \*children/youth of participants receive recommended products

April 12th | 5PM – 7PM <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/joinMeeting?z=Textured+Hair+Care+Level+I+with+Styles+4+Kidz&from=addon&fromaddon=Textured+Hair+Care+Level+I+with+Styles+4+Kidz>

May 10th | 5PM – 7PM <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/joinMeeting?z=Coffee+with+the+caregivers&from=addon&fromaddon=Coffee+with+the+caregivers>

- Coffee with the caregivers: Join kinship, foster, adoptive, and guardian parents around the state for a weekly, virtual, facilitated training and support group.

April 14, 2023 11:30am <https://us06web.zoom.us/join/joinMeeting?z=April+14+2023+1130am&from=addon&fromaddon=April+14+2023+1130am>

April 28, 2023 11:30am <https://us06web.zoom.us/join/joinMeeting?z=April+28+2023+1130am&from=addon&fromaddon=April+28+2023+1130am>

<https://www.cacaregivers.org/info/yolo/>



## Yolo Crisis Nursery is a place of support for Yolo County resource families

The Nursery was founded in 2001 as a child-abuse prevention program. Protecting children is at the heart of their mission. The Nursery helps kids thrive and become resilient in the face of early traumatic experiences.

- Nursery goals include supporting Resource Family Recruitment and Retention efforts and help ensure a smooth transition for new foster and kinship children by providing the following two programs:
- Daycare (at no cost) available to foster/kinship families during the first 30 days of placement.
- Occasional “drop-in” daycare (at no cost) available to foster/kinship families. You must make an appointment to complete a registration package and meet the staff.



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