FIRST THINGS FIRST Family Guide

Phoenix North Region

First Things First supports early childhood programs in Arizona through grants to community organizations that provide services—at no cost—for young children from birth to age 5 (before kindergarten) and their families.

The Phoenix North Region is primarily the city of Phoenix north of Thomas Road. The region also includes the unincorporated communities of Anthem and New River to the north.



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FirstThingsFirst.org / Find-Programs





Parenting

There's no one right way to raise a child, and you don't have to be perfect. These programs are here to help you learn effective ways to support your child's healthy development and learning.

Community Based Language and Literacy

Gives parents and families of young children the opportunity to participate in language and literacy workshops at community locations, such as libraries, schools or housing complexes. The workshops may be one-time, one-day events or may be ongoing, but they all include opportunities for parents to learn about early language and literacy in a group setting.

Family Resource Centers

Bring your children and take classes and workshops from trained parent educators, connect with community resources and more, all in one convenient location.

Creighton Family Resource Center (602) 381-4605 FamilyResourceCenter@creightonschools.org

Deer Valley Family Resource Center at Copper Creek Elementary (623) 376-3975 | dawn.sears@dvusd.org

Deer Valley Family Resource Center at New River Elementary (623) 376-3975 | dawn.sears@dvusd.org

LSS Family Resource Center at Solano Elementary School

(602) 501-8840 | lyanes@lss-sw.org

Paradise Valley Family Resource Center (602) 449-7414 | FRCinfo@pvschools.net

Phoenix Public Library Early Literacy Programs City of Phoenix Library

Kathleen Harris | (602) 534-2740 kathleen.harris@phoenix.gov

Phoenix Families First Center at Beuf Community Center

(602) 376-7093 | mailbox.youth@phoenix.gov

Washington Resource Information Center at Moon Mountain Elementary

(602) 347-2422 | enriqueta.disanto@wesdschools.org

Washington Resource Information Center at Ocotillo Elementary

(602) 347-2422 | enriqueta.disanto@wesdschools.org

Washington Resource Information Center at Sunset Elementary

(602) 347-2422 | enriqueta.disanto@wesdschools.org

Home Visiting Programs

Work 1-on-1 with a trained and caring parent educator, in the convenience of your own home, to build on the parenting skills you already have and nurture your child's health, development and learning.

Parent Partners Plus

Amy Jaffe | (480) 427-4681 ajaffe@swhd.org

Parents as Teachers Arizona's Children Association Sandy Vicars | (480) 861-3204 svicars@arizonaschildren.org

Family Friend and Neighbor Caregivers

Many children spend parts of the day with non-parent caregivers in informal home settings. Learn how you can better support the health, development and learning of the young children in your care through health and safety practices, educational activities and understanding more about child development.

Arizona Kith and Kin Project Candelen

Tabitha Fisher | (480) 741-4769 tfisher@candelen.org



Child Health and Development

All children develop differently, but it helps to know if they're meeting typical milestones or could use extra assistance, and many medical and dental problems can be prevented.

Developmental and Sensory Screening

Have your child checked for vision, hearing or developmental concerns (including communication, social-emotional, problem-solving and motor skills) and, if needed, get a referral for further evaluation or support.

Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc. dba Parenting Arizona

Hanany Topete | (602) 684-1192 Hanany.Topete@parentingaz.org



Quality Child Care and Preschool

Quality early learning programs help young children learn, grow and thrive. More than 1,000 child care centers, homes and preschool programs in Arizona participate in Quality First to improve the quality of early learning for kids from birth to age 5. Many offer Quality First Scholarships to help low-income families afford quality early care and education.



Learn more and find programs near you at: FirstThingsFirst.org



Birth to Five Helpline

A free service available to all Arizona families with young children, (as well as parents-to-be), who have questions about their baby, toddler or preschooler. Ask experts about your child's feeding, sleep, behavior or any other concern. The Birth to Five Helpline is here to help.



Southwest Human Development 1-877-705-KIDS (5437) birthtofivehelpline.org

LEARN MORE

For more information about how First Things First supports the healthy development and learning of young children in our community, visit us at FirstThingsFirst.org/Regions/Phoenix-North or call 602.771.5100.





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Space may be limited and eligibility requirements may apply. While this listing only includes programs funded by First Things First, many of them can connect you with additional services that might be right for you.

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