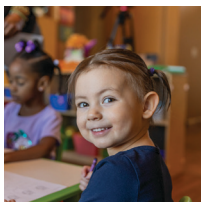


La Paz County Resource Guide

FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN BIRTH TO AGE 5



2026-2027

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About First Things First

Approved by Arizona voters, First Things First (FTF) works to ensure that your youngest children have access to quality early childhood experiences so they will start school healthy and ready to succeed. Across the state, FTF Regional Partnerships Councils — in collaboration with local leaders — identify the education and health needs of children birth through age 5 in their communities and fund strategies to address those needs.

Phone: 602-908-4652

Website: www.FirstThingsFirst.org
FirstThingsFirst.org/Regions/La-Paz-Mohave/



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CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

Arizona Department of Economic Security (AZDES)

1032 S. Hopi Ave.
Parker, AZ 85344
855-432-7587
<https://des.az.gov/>

Basic Needs: Adult Protections Services, Food Assistance, Medical Assistance, Refugee Resettlement, Shelter and Housing

Child and Family: Cash Assistance, Child Care, Child Support Services, Community Resources

Disabilities: Developmental Disabilities, Early Intervention, Achieving a better life experience

Older Adults: Home and Community Based Services, Healthy Living, Medicare Assistance, Legal Services Assistance, Family Caregiver Support, Long-Term Care Ombudsman, Aging Publications, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Conference

Employment: Job Seekers, Reentry Services, Employer Resources, Apprenticeship, Unemployment-Employer, Senior Community Service Program, Veterans, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Eligible Training Provider List

APS Crisis Bill Assistance Program WACOG

877-829-2264

Provides utility assistance. They offer other services ranging from weatherization of homes to cut energy cost to rental assistance on a case by case basis.

CASA Council Helping Children of Mohave County/La Paz County

Beverly Siemens
Board President
530-632-5567
casasupport.org

CASA Council is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, which is a foundation that raises money to benefit the unmet needs of children in out-of-home care (foster care, relative placements, and In-Home Services).

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

Community Legal Services

2701 E. Andy Devine, Suite 400
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-681-1177
1-800-255-9031

TTY: Arizona Relay: 711

FAX: 928-681-5998

Email: infomoco@clsaz.org

* Applications for services in Mohave and La Paz Counties are completed via the Kingman office.

Community Legal Services (CLS) is dedicated to providing legal assistance, advice or representation, self-help materials and legal education so people can know their rights. We focus on helping survivors of domestic violence; assisting victims of consumer fraud and abuse, protecting tenants from unlawful/unfair practices by landlords, foreclosures, legal problems affecting agricultural workers, wage claims and other employment matters, and federal and state programs affecting peoples' health and economic stability.

Nikki's Nook

28332 Hwy 72
Bouse, AZ 85325
928-916-9744-Randi

A completely free thrift store/resource center featuring clothing, household goods, small appliances, bathroom supplies, bedding, books, and food pantry. Open Saturdays from 11-3.

River Cities United Way

Main: 928-855-6333

Helping Businesses and individuals with rent utilities, and various needs.

Social Security Office

1502 Bailey Ave.
Needles, CA. 92363
800-772-1213

Obtain social security cards, name change, social security benefits.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

Salvation Army-Quartzsite

101 N Moon Mountain Ave.
Quartzsite, AZ 85346
928-927-3636
360-921-7571 (cell)

Thrift Store and Service Center. We provide supportive assistance to those in a crisis situation and work with many agencies to provide additional help. Urgent needs, please use cell phone number.

We offer year round backpacks and school supplies, Santa event, Angel Tree and monthly diaper assistance program.

Birth to Five Resources:

Breastfeeding Resources

Arizona 24/7 Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-307-4231

La Leche League

1-877-452-5324
<https://llusa.org/>

Pregnancy and Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-833-4642

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Birth to Five Resources:

Child Care Resources

Child Care Resource & Referral

Child and Family Resources, Inc.

1-800-308-9000

www.azccrr.com

M-F 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM,

Sat 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Child Care Information Line:

1-800-308-9000

Child Care Resource & Referral, CCR&R, is a statewide program of Child & Family Resources, Inc. Funding is provided by the Arizona Department of Economic Security's Child Care Administration through federal Child Care Development Block Grant funds. Staff provides referrals to families including but not limited to: child care, financial assistance, housing/utility assistance. Staff also provides consumer education on the different types of childcare options in the state & how to make the best option for your child and family.

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Birth to Five Resources:

Home Visitation

High Risk Perinatal Program Mohave County Department of Public Health

2001 College Drive
LHC, AZ 8640
JoBeth Giovanardi
GiovaJ@mohave.gov
928-753-0714 ext. 4323

Provides free in-home community health nursing services to assist eligible families and their newborns during the transition from the Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU) to their home and community. The CHN provides support to the family by providing education and connections to community resources.

Eligibility: Infants who have spent five or more days in the NICU.

Child and Family Resources, Inc

117 W Riverside Dr.
Parker, AZ 85344
928-753-4410
Cole Callen
CCallen@cfrz.org

Our free home visiting programs support expecting parents and families with young children. Families can enroll during pregnancy or after. Using evidence-based models like Parents as Teachers, Healthy Families, and Health Start visits focus on prenatal health, child development, school readiness, early literacy, and family resilience. Visits take place in your home, and all materials for learning activities are provided. Additional services include parent socials, car seat safety programs, and community resource referrals.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Birth to Five Resources:

Other

Birth to Five Helpline

1-877-705-KIDS (5437)

The Birth to Five Helpline is a free service available to all Arizona families with young children, as well as parents-to-be, with questions about their infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

(see page 27 for more information)

CRIT Early Literacy Program

26600 Mohave Road

Parker, AZ 85344

928-669-1339

928-669-1332

critlibraryarchives@gmail.com

The Colorado River Indian Tribes Early Literacy program, funded by First Things First, helps families understand the importance of early literacy and teaches how to implement it in their homes. The program encourages and facilitates adult/child interaction and developmentally-appropriate play. The program distributes books and hosts events for parents/caregivers and children birth - 5, including story times at least two times a week.

CRIT Nutrition And Physical Activity Program

1321 Mohave Avenue

Parker, AZ 85344

928-525-1287 Office

The Colorado River Indian Nutrition and Physical Activity Program, funded by First Things, is geared toward encouraging the healthy development of children ages 0-5 through physical exercise and nutrition. Activities are geared toward promoting physical activity and healthy eating with the goal of reducing the rate of obesity in small children. Culturally-related activities will be incorporated into the activities as well prenatal, breastfeeding promotion and toddler group.

Lantern

(Formerly Bright By Text)

Text "ARIZONAPBS" to 274448

www.azpbs.org/kidstext

Lantern is a free program for parents and caregivers that sends tips and resources promoting child development, targeted to a child's age from prenatal to 11 years old, right to their cell phone.

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Birth to Five Resources:

Other

Family Support Coordination - Parenting Arizona

928-440-6782

familysupport@cplc.org

Chicanos Por La Causa/Parenting Arizona's Family Support Coordination program supports families with children age birth to 5. Our goal is to assist them in understanding, accessing, and navigating services that promote family well-being by engaging families and connecting them with community resources. Family Support Coordinators provide guidance, advocacy, and coordination throughout the process. Our aim is to refer families to timely and essential services, fostering family well-being and self-sufficiency.

First Things First

602-908-4652

www.FirstThingsFirst.org

Local region covers Mohave and La Paz County

First Things First is Arizona's early childhood agency, with programs and resources to support great childhoods. By focusing on the first five years, we are making a difference in the lives of young children, their families and our communities. Quality early learning and child care are essential for stronger, healthier families and for the economic future of Arizona.

Child Care Centers

Early Learning Academy

1013 W Arizona Ave Ste. B

Parker, AZ 85344

928-301-4000

earlylearningacademy19@gmail.com

Early Childhood Center for infants 6 weeks to preschoolers (age 5) After school care for children 5-12 years of age.

Tiny Cactus Daycare

143 W. Riverside Dr.

Parker, AZ 85344

928- 575-1095

www.tinycactusdaycare.com

Full-time and Part-Time
Serving Ages 1-5

After school program for 6-12 years old

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Disabilities & Special Needs Resources

Disability Rights Arizona

disabilityrightsaz.org

Arizona Early Intervention Program (AZEIP)

A statewide system of services and supports for families of infants and toddlers, birth to three years of age, with delays or disabilities. AzEIP provides eligible children and their families access to services to support the child's development through in-home individualized parent education and support. AzEIP has service-providing agencies located in your area.

For more information or to make a referral, visit the website - bit.ly/3S6GK4l or make a referral by calling 888-592-0140

For questions or to check the status of the referral call 602-532-9960

Encircle Families

(Formerly Raising Special Kids)

5025 E. Washington St. Ste. 204
Phoenix, AZ 85034
602-242-4366
encirclefamilies.org

Encircle Families exists to improve the lives of children with the full range of disabilities, from birth to age 26, by providing support, training, information and individual assistance so families can become effective advocates for their children.

Services include individual consultation, parent-to-parent support, trainings and workshops.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Early Intervention Information

What is Early Intervention?

Early Intervention is specialized support for infants and toddlers (birth to age 3) who have or may be at risk for developmental delays. It includes services like speech therapy, physical therapy and developmental support to help children reach important milestones.

Why is Early Intervention Important?

Early support can improve a child's growth, learning and future success. It helps children become more independent, improves school readiness and may reduce long-term therapy costs.

What Can I Do if I Have Concerns?

Talk to your child's pediatrician – Don't wait! Early action makes a difference.

Check developmental milestones – Use the CDC Milestone Tracker App (free on iOS & Android) or search CDC Milestone Checklist online.

Request a developmental screening – Ask your doctor or complete a free Ages & Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)
<https://www.firstthingsfirst.org/resources/ages-and-stages/>

Get an evaluation – See more info below.

How do I get my child evaluated?

If your child is Birth to Age 3:

Contact the Arizona Early Intervention Program where you can refer your child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



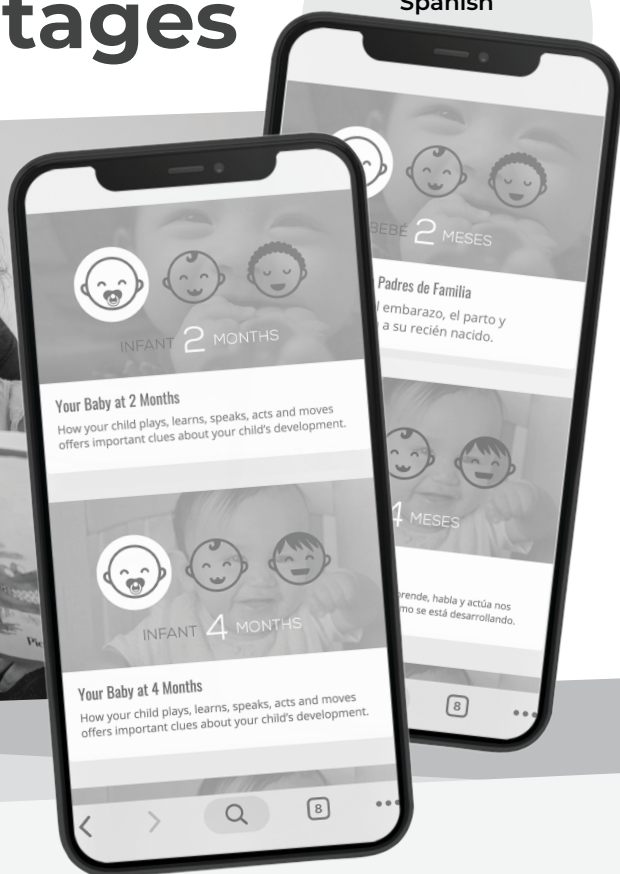
If your child is age 3 to 21:

Contact your local school district to learn about Child Find events or request an evaluation. With parent permission, a home visitor, child care provider, teacher or healthcare provider can also refer the child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



FIRST THINGS FIRST Ages & Stages

Available in
English and
Spanish



From the day your child is born, understanding how they play, learn, speak, act and move offers important clues about your child's development. While all children develop differently, it helps to know if your child is meeting typical milestones at different ages and stages and how you can support their healthy development. Understand what's happening at different stages of your child's life and how you can help them learn and grow.

VISIT [FirstThingsFirst.org/AgesAndStages](https://www.FirstThingsFirst.org/AgesAndStages)

Why Early Childhood Matters

From birth to age 5, a child's brain grows more than at any other time in life. And early brain development has a lasting impact on a child's ability to learn and succeed in school and life. The quality of a child's experiences in the first few years of life – positive or negative – helps shape how their brain develops.



90%

**of Brain Growth Happens
Before Kindergarten**

At birth, the average baby's brain is about a quarter of the size of the average adult brain. Incredibly, it doubles in size in the first year. It keeps growing to about 80% of adult size by age 3 and 90% – nearly full grown – by age 5.

The brain is the command center of the human body. A newborn baby has all of the brain cells (neurons) they'll have for the rest of their life, but it's the connections between these cells that really make the brain work. Brain connections enable us to move, think, communicate and do just about everything. The early childhood years are crucial for making these connections. At least one million new neural connections (synapses) are made every second, more than at any other time in life.

The early years are the best opportunity for a child's brain to develop the connections they need to be healthy, capable, successful adults. The connections needed for many important, higher-level abilities like motivation, self-regulation, problem solving and communication are formed in these early years – or not formed. It's much harder for these essential brain connections to be formed later in life.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Education

Bouse Elementary School District

44936 Joshua Dr.
Bouse, AZ 85325
928-851-2213
Services grades K - 8

CRIT Head Start

18026 Mohave Road
Parker, AZ 85344
928-662-4311
Center based early childhood development program. Eligibility Requirements: Income guidelines and age (3 & 4 years old by August 31). Priority to children with disabilities, homeless, foster children, lowest income.

Parker Unified School District

1608 S. Laguna Ave
Parker, AZ 85344
928-669-9244
Services pre-k and K - 12

Quartzsite Elementary School District

49241 Ehrenberg Road
Ehrenberg, AZ 85334
928-923-7907
Services pre-k and grades K - 8

Salome Consolidated Elementary School District and Preschool Program

38128 Saguario & Main
Salome, AZ 85348
928-859-3339
Services grades Pre-K - 8
Developmental preschool program for ages 3-5 based on eligibility.

WACOG Head Start

49241 Ehrenberg-Poston HWY
Ehrenberg, AZ 85334
928-782-1886
Center based early childhood development program. Eligibility Requirements: Income guidelines and age (3 & 4 years old by August 31).
Priority to children with disabilities, homeless, foster children, lowest income.

Wenden Elementary School District and Preschool Program

71001 Santa Fe Ave
Wenden, AZ 85357
928-859-3806
Services grades Pre K - 8
Developmental preschool program for ages 3-5 based on eligibility.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Emergency/Non-Emergency

Arizona Department of Child Safety

1032 S. Hopi Ave
Parker, AZ 85344
928-669-9293
Child Abuse Hotline
1-888-767-2445

AZ Statewide Crisis Line

1-844-534-4673 or 1-844-534-HOPE

Bouse Fire Department

44031 Plomosa Rd.
Bouse, AZ 85325
928-851-2648

Buckskin Fire Department

8500 Riverside Dr.
Parker, AZ 85344
928-667-3221

CRIT Fire Department Station 17 (Big River)

150260 Capistrano Way
Big River, CA 92242

CRIT Fire Department Station 80

1819 W Mohave Rd.
Parker, AZ 85344
928-669-2328

CRIT Fire Department Station 90

23701 Mohave Rd
Parker, AZ 85344
928-662-4388

CRIT Law Enforcement Services

26600 Mohave Rd.
Parker, AZ 85344
928-669-1386
TIPS Line: 928-669-5341

Ehrenberg Fire Department

49100 Ehrenberg Poston Hwy.
Ehrenberg, AZ 85334
928-823-8033

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Emergency/Non-Emergency

La Paz County Dispatch

1109 W Arizona Ave
Parker, AZ 85344
928-669-6141

The primary function of Dispatch is to receive all emergency and non-emergency calls for service and from field units ensuring that the proper departments are dispatched.

The La Paz County Central Dispatch is the communication center for all of La Paz County emergency services, with the exception of American Medical Response ambulance and the Colorado River Indian Tribes.

La Paz County Sheriff's Office

1109 W Arizona Ave
Parker, AZ 85344
928-669-6141

McMullen Valley Fire Department

66998 Salome Rd.
Salome, AZ 85348
928-859-3261

Parker Fire District

1101 W Arizona Ave
Parker, AZ 85344
928-669-2206

Parker Police Department

1314 W 11th St.
Parker, AZ 85344

Quartzsite Fire Department

70 Tyson St.
Quartzsite, AZ 85346
928-927-6556

Quartzsite Police Department

928-927-4644
305 N. Plymouth Ave.
PO Box 2812
Quartzsite, AZ 85346

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services

Community Health Worker Program

La Paz County Health Department

1014 W. 11th Street

Parker, AZ 85344

928-669-9364

Point of contact: Carmen Gonzalez

www.lapaz.gov/645/Community-Health-Worker-CHW

The Community Health Worker Program assists residents and visitors to gain access to a wide variety of resources and services that may be required for health and safety. The CHW program covers: Bouse, Cibola, CRIT, Ehrenberg, Parker/Parker Strip, Salome, Quartzsite, and Wenden. CHWs can support members of the public with translation services, veteran resources, health education, informal counseling, mental health services, and more. Some of our goals include improving access to healthcare services, increasing knowledge and use of community and social service resources, and reducing barriers to services available to La Paz County residents and visitors.

La Paz County Health Department

1112 Joshua Ave, Suite #206

Parker, AZ 85344

Hours 7:00am-6:00pm

928-669-1100

Immunizations, TB testing, STD testing, Family planning, Covid-19 Immunizations, birth certificate printing.

Please call for details and appointments.

Health Services

Mental Health

Community Health Associates

1021 S Kofa Ave.

Parker, AZ 85344

928-669-5319

Individual Counseling, Marriage/Family Counseling, Group Counseling, Substance Use Treatment, DUI Treatment, Crisis Services, Health Promotion, Case Management, Peer Support, Community Resources

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services:

Mental Health

M.I.K.I.D.

928-753-4354

www.mikid.org/

Provides support, education, and skill development to families and their children, youth, and young adults who are experiencing mental health and behavior changes.

Postpartum Support International Helpline

Call/Text in English:

1-800-944-4773

Text en Español: 971-203-7773

<https://postpartum.net/>

The HelpLine will provide you with support and resources. You will be asked to leave a confidential message and a trained and caring volunteer will return your call or text.

In an emergency or crisis situation, call or text 988.

In a non-emergency situation, call or text the HelpLine at 800-944-4773. You never need a diagnosis to ask for help.

Call or text the National #MaternalMentalHealth Hotline at 1-833-TLC-MAMA (1-833-852-6262)

Health Services

FQHC

(Federally Qualified Health Centers are outpatient clinics that serve rural areas)

Parker Walk-In Clinic Regional Center for Border Health

601 W Riverside Drive

Parker, AZ 85344

928-256-4109

<https://www.rcfbh.org/>

Behavioral Health Services, Pediatrics & Primary Care Services

Parker Walk-in Clinic is a family integrated service committed to provide the best affordable access to quality health and behavioral health services.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Nutrition and Food Resources

CRIT Food Distribution Program (FDPIR)

12302 Kennedy Drive.

Parker, AZ 85344

Location: 2nd Avenue & Mohave Rd.
928-575-1191

Commodity Foods Our services are open to anyone living within the CRIT Reservation boundaries.

Our services are for low or no income households residing on the CRIT Reservation.

Applications are accepted M – F 8 - 5

CRIT WIC Program

13350 1st Avenue

Parker, AZ 85344

928-669-5588

Supplemental healthy foods, nutrition educations, referrals to other health services.

Monday-Friday 8am-5pm

Friends of the Quartzsite Food Bank

40 N Moon Mountain Ave

Quartzsite, AZ 85346

928-661-7000

fqfoodbank@gmail.com

Provides food, clothing, and toiletries

Parker Food Bank

1124 Geronimo Ave

Parker, AZ 85344

928-669-0114

Walk-ins served. No referral required. Photo ID and proof of address in La Paz County.

Tuesdays & Thursdays

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

St. Vincent de Paul

1015 S. Joshua Ave.

Parker, AZ 85344

928-669-2523

Monthly food boxes and bag lunches.

Serving Parker, Bouse, Wenden, Salome, Ehrenberg and homebound. Call for more information.

Yuma Community Food Bank

928-343-1243

yumafoodbank.org

Distribution sites: Bouse, Cibola, Ehrenberg, Salome/Wenden, Parker, and Quartzsite.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Libraries

Bouse Public Library

44031 E. Plomosa Rd.

Bouse, AZ 85325

928-851-1023

Hours: Mon - Thur, 8am - 4pm

Bouse Public Library is one of two branches of the La Paz Public Library. Books, magazines, movies and internet access available to the public.

Centennial Public Library

69725 Centennial Park Rd.

Salome, AZ 85348

928-859-4271

Hours: 8am-4pm Mon-Thur

Centennial Public Library is one of two branches of the La Paz Public Library. Books, magazines, movies and internet access available to the public.

CRIT Library

26600 Mohave Rd.

Parker, AZ 85344

928-669-1332

C.R.I.T. Library-Archives offers collections of books in Fiction / Non-Fiction – Native American Collections in Adult- Young Adult- Tweens – Children – Early Literacy. We also provide job application assistance- email set-up-Archival Research-Traditional Language classes- Computer Lab-Print-Fax-Arts n Crafts-Traditional workshops- STEM/STEAM- Afterschool Tutoring- After School Activities

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Libraries

Parker Public Library

1001 Navajo Ave
Parker, AZ 85344
928-669-2622

The Parker Public Library is dedicated to providing free & equal access to information and knowledge through books, programs, and collaboration with our diverse community. We believe in the freedom to read, to learn, and to discover in a safe environment. For more information please visit our website.

Quartzsite Library

465 North Plymouth Avenue
P.O. Box 2812
Quartzsite, AZ 85346
qsitelib@hotmail.com

Schedule of Library Hours:
Monday-Friday 8am - 5pm Closed
Saturday Sunday & Holidays
928-927-4333

Access to library services including books, audio tapes, computers, videos and magazines is free. Resident cards are valid for two years. The Yuma Reading Council, in partnership with the Quartzsite Library, is offering adult literacy, GED and English as a second language training. If you are interested in volunteering for any one of these projects, please contact the library at 928-927-4333 for more information. Trained tutors are now available for ESL tutoring, privately or in small groups.

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www.swhd.org

"Nothing Out of the Question"
"Toda Pregunta es Buena"

1-877-705-KIDS (5437)

Call the Helpline to speak with an early childhood specialist, on duty Mon-Fri. 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Birth to Five Helpline is a free service available to all Arizona families with young children, as well as parents-to-be, with questions about their infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

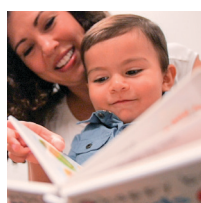
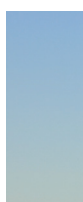
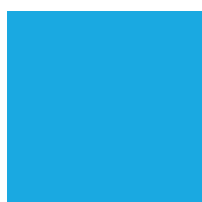
Topics addressed include but not limited to:

- Sleep
- Health and Nutrition
- Safety
- Challenging Behaviors
- Feeding and Eating
- General Child Development
- Potty Training/Learning
- Fussiness/Colic
- Parenting

An extension of the Birth to Five Helpline is the Fussy Baby program. This program provides telephone, home visiting and virtual video consultation and support to help families navigate challenges associated with hard-to-soothe infants, excessive crying, sleeping problems and feeding difficulties during their child's first year of life.

Download the Birth to Five Helpline app!





FIRST THINGS FIRST

Lake Havasu City Area Resource Guide

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CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

Arizona Department of Economic Security (AZDES)

2031 Spawr Cir.
Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403
855-432-7587
<https://des.az.gov/>
www.healthearizonaplus.gov

Basic Needs: Adult Protections Services, Food Assistance, Medical Assistance, Refugee Resettlement, Shelter and Housing

Child and Family: Cash Assistance, Child Care, Child Support Services, Community Resources

Disabilities: Developmental Disabilities, Early Intervention, Achieving a better life experience

Older Adults: Home and Community Based Services, Healthy Living, Medicare Assistance, Legal Services Assistance, Family Caregiver Support, Long-Term Care Ombudsman, Aging Publications, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Conference

Employment: Job Seekers, Reentry Services, Employer Resources, Apprenticeship, Unemployment-Employer, Senior Community Service Program, Veterans, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Eligible Training Provider List

APS Crisis Bill Assistance Program WACOG

928-753-6247

Provides utility assistance. They offer other services ranging from weatherization of homes to cut energy cost to rental assistance on a case by case basis.

CASA Council Helping Children of Mohave County/La Paz County

Beverly Siemens
Board President
530-632-5567
casasupport.org

CASA Council is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, which is a foundation that raises money to benefit the unmet needs of children in out-of-home care (foster care, relative placements, and In-Home Services).

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Assistance Programs

Clothes Closet

1968 Mesquite Ave.
LHC, AZ 86403
928-230-3113
clothescloset@frontier.com

The Clothes Closet helps anyone in need of clothing, food, or other necessities without charge. They help find community resources in a judgment free atmosphere.

Faith and Grace, Inc.

24 hour Hotline 928-302-1358
Safe housing for women and children of domestic violence.

HAVEN Family Resource Center

2174 McCulloch Blvd. N
LHC, AZ 86403
928-505-3153

Administers services for victims of abuse and sexual assault.
Provides a crisis hotline for families in crisis and for victims of child abuse, domestic violence, and sexual assault.

Community Legal Services

2701 E. Andy Devine, Suite 400
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-681-1177
1-800-255-9031
TTY: Arizona Relay: 711
FAX: 928-681-5998
Email: infomoco@clsaz.org

* Applications for services in Mohave and La Paz Counties are completed via the Kingman office.

Community Legal Services (CLS) is dedicated to providing legal assistance, advice or representation, self-help materials and legal education so people can know their rights. We focus on helping survivors of domestic violence; assisting victims of consumer fraud and abuse, protecting tenants from unlawful/unfair practices by landlords, foreclosures, legal problems affecting agricultural workers, wage claims and other employment matters, and federal and state programs affecting peoples' health and economic stability.

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Assistance Programs

River Cities United Way

145 N. Lake Havasu Ave.
LHC, AZ 86403
Main: 928-855-6333
Helping Businesses and individuals with rent, utilities, and various needs.

Salvation Army-Lake Havasu

2049 Swanson Ave
LHC, AZ 86403
928-680-3678
Provides rent payment assistance, electric and water utility bill payment assistance, food boxes, sack lunches and personal hygiene items.

Social Security Office

1502 Bailey Ave.
Needles, CA. 92363
800-772-1213
Obtain social security cards, name change, social security benefits.

Birth to Five Resources:

Breastfeeding Resources

Arizona 24/7 Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-307-4231

La Leche League

1-877-452-5324
<https://llusa.org/>

Pregnancy and Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-833-4642

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Birth to Five Resources:

Child Care Resources

Child Care Resource & Referral Child and Family Resources, Inc.

1-800-308-9000

www.azccrr.com

M-F 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM,

Sat 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Child Care Information Line:

1-800-308-9000

Child Care Resource & Referral, CCR&R, is a statewide program of Child & Family Resources, Inc. Funding is provided by the Arizona Department of Economic Security's Child Care Administration through federal Child Care Development Block Grant funds. Staff provides referrals to families including but not limited to: child care, financial assistance, housing/utility assistance. Staff also provides consumer education on the different types of childcare options in the state & how to make the best option for your child and family.

Birth to Five Resources:

Home Visitation

Child and Family Resources, Inc

2005 Injo Drive #103

Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403

928-753-4410

Cole Callen

CCallen@cfraz.org

Our free home visiting programs support expecting parents and families with young children. Families can enroll during pregnancy or after. Using evidence-based models like Parents as Teachers, Healthy Families, and Health Start visits focus on prenatal health, child development, school readiness, early literacy, and family resilience. Visits take place in your home, and all materials for learning activities are provided. Additional services include parent socials, car seat safety programs, and community resource referrals.

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Birth to Five Resources:

Home Visitation

High Risk Perinatal Program Mohave County Department of Public Health

2001 College Drive
LHC, AZ 8640
JoBeth Giovanardi
GiovaJ@mohave.gov
928-753-0714 ext. 4323

Provides free in-home community health nursing services to assist eligible families and their newborns during the transition from the Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU) to their home and community. The CHN provides support to the family by providing education and connections to community resources.

Eligibility: Infants who have spent five or more days in the NICU.

Birth to Five Resources:

Other

Birth to Five Helpline

1-877-705-KIDS (5437)

The Birth to Five Helpline is a free service available to all Arizona families with young children, as well as parents-to-be, with questions about their infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

(see page 27 for more information)

Family Support Coordination Parenting Arizona

928-440-6782

Chicanos Por La Causa/Parenting Arizona's Family Support Coordination program supports families with children age birth to 5. Our goal is to assist them in understanding, accessing, and navigating services that promote family well-being by engaging families and connecting them with community resources. Family Support Coordinators provide guidance, advocacy, and coordination throughout the process. Our aim is to refer families to timely and essential services, fostering family well-being and self-sufficiency.

Pregnancy Care, Inc

500 N. Lake Havasu Ave Suite B104
LHC, AZ 86403
928-855-2273

Administers programs for pregnant women in La Paz and Mohave County.

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Birth to Five Resources:

Other

First Things First

602-908-4652

www.FirstThingsFirst.org

Local region covers Mohave and La Paz County

First Things First is Arizona's early childhood agency, with programs and resources to support great childhoods. By focusing on the first five years, we are making a difference in the lives of young children, their families and our communities. Quality early learning and child care are essential for stronger, healthier families and for the economic future of Arizona.

Lantern

(Formerly Bright By Text)

Text "ARIZONAPBS" to 274448

www.azpbs.org/kidstext

Lantern is a free program for parents and caregivers that sends tips and resources promoting child development, targeted to a child's age from prenatal to 11 years old, right to their cell phone.

Sunshine Indoor Play

5601 Hwy 95 Unit H814

LHC, AZ 86404

928-466-6750

kate@sunshineindoorplay.com

www.sunshineindoorplay.com

Sunshine Indoor Play is more than just an indoor playground. We are a Mom-munity that is by your side through every step of your parenting journey. We offer lactation support, birth classes, car seat help, babywearing fit checks, postpartum support groups, and more. We also host mommy and me classes and events.

Child Care Centers

Family Tree Daycare

3415 Oro Grande Blvd.

LHC, AZ

928-505-8719

Serving 3 months through age 5.

Guiding Light Christian Educational Center

220 Mescal Ln

LHC, AZ 86403

928-855-1022

Serving ages 1 through 1st grade.
Accepts DES subsidy

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Child Care Centers

Hilltop Learning Center

3180 McCulloch Blvd N
LHC, AZ 86403
928-855-3085

Serving ages 2 ½ through 5 years.
Accepts DES subsidy

Little People's Day Care, Inc

2419 Smoketree Ave N #102
LHC, AZ 86403
928-453-6348

Serving ages 2-5 years. Accepts DES
subsidy

New Day School

2200 Sotol Lane
LHC, AZ 86403
928-855-9660
3438 Oro Grande Blvd.
LHC, AZ 86406
928-680-1002

2915 Havasupai Blvd.
LHC 86404
928-855-2227

Serving ages 1 through 5 years.
Accepts DES subsidy

Playtime Childcare

2625 Cliffwood Plz
LHC, AZ 86403
928-505-6251

Serving ages 1 through 12 years.
Licensed in-home, group home
childcare. Available evenings and
weekends. Accepts DES subsidy.

Disabilities & Special Needs Resources

Disability Rights Arizona

disabilityrightsaz.org

Arizona Early Intervention Program (AZEIP)

A statewide system of services and supports for families of infants and toddlers, birth to three years of age, with delays or disabilities. AZEIP provides eligible children and their families access to services to support the child's development through in-home individualized parent education and support. AZEIP has service-providing agencies located in your area.

For more information or to make a referral, visit the website - bit.ly/3S6GK4l or make a referral by calling 888-592-0140

For questions or to check the status of the referral call 602-532-9960

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Disabilities & Special Needs Resources

Encircle Families

(Formerly Raising Special Kids)

5025 E. Washington St. Ste. 204

Phoenix, AZ 85034

602-242-4366

encirclefamilies.org

Encircle Families exists to improve the lives of children with the full range of disabilities, from birth to age 26, by providing support, training, information and individual assistance so families can become effective advocates for their children.

Essential Therapy Solutions

500 Lake Havasu N, Ste C-100

Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403

480-677-3349

<https://www.etherapyaz.com>

Essential Therapy Solutions offers various services and programs in both home and clinic settings. Essential Therapy Solutions contracts with AzEIP to help children birth to 3 years of age and with the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) for children and some adults 3+ years. We also accept families with insurance as well as cash pay. The services we provide are Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Feeding Therapy, Service Coordination, Developmental Instruction and Telehealth.

Milemarkers

5601 Hwy 95 C-308

LHC, AZ 86404

928-854-5439

Milemarkers provides music, occupational, physical and speech therapy services, after school program, adult day program, employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities, transition to employment curriculum, individual habilitation support, and supervised visit, Connections Program and Nurturing Parent program.

Playful Beginnings

909-583-4040

Psychological testing for autism as well as in home ABA (social/behavior) intervention for children in Lake Havasu between the ages of 2-12 years. Accepting United Health Care, Blue Cross Blue Shield AZ, Anthem Blue Cross, and HealthChoice.

RISE Services

1979 McCulloch Blvd.

Suite 101 and 103

LHC, AZ 86403

928-316-6520

Provides support services for seniors, children and adults with developmental and physical disabilities.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Early Intervention Information

What is Early Intervention?

Early Intervention is specialized support for infants and toddlers (birth to age 3) who have or may be at risk for developmental delays. It includes services like speech therapy, physical therapy and developmental support to help children reach important milestones.

Why is Early Intervention Important?

Early support can improve a child's growth, learning and future success. It helps children become more independent, improves school readiness and may reduce long-term therapy costs.

What Can I Do if I Have Concerns?

Talk to your child's pediatrician – Don't wait! Early action makes a difference.

Check developmental milestones – Use the CDC Milestone Tracker App (free on iOS & Android) or search CDC Milestone Checklist online.

Request a developmental screening – Ask your doctor or complete a free Ages & Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)
<https://www.firstthingsfirst.org/resources/ages-and-stages/>

Get an evaluation – See more info below.

How do I get my child evaluated?

If your child is Birth to Age 3:

Contact the Arizona Early Intervention Program where you can refer your child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



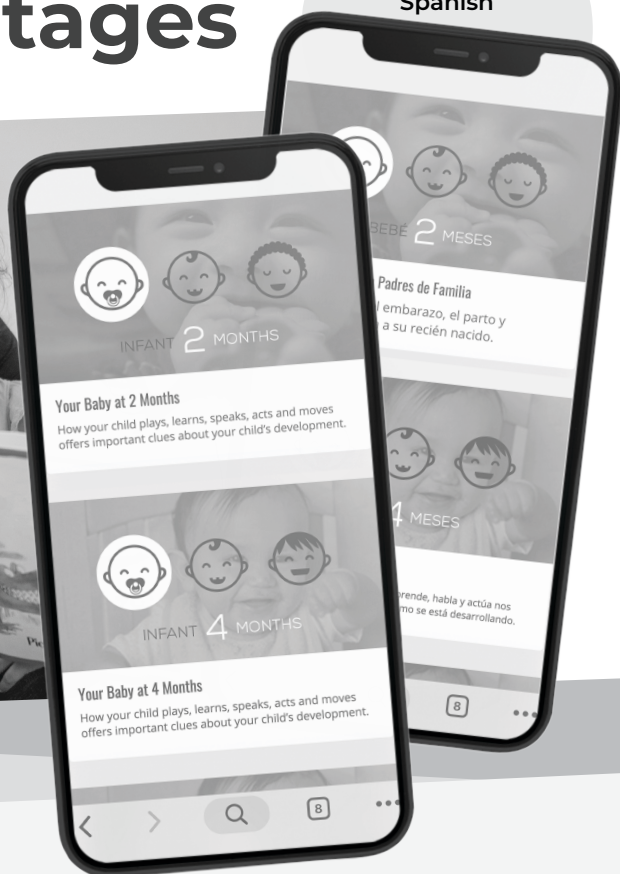
If your child is age 3 to 21:

Contact your local school district to learn about Child Find events or request an evaluation. With parent permission, a home visitor, child care provider, teacher or healthcare provider can also refer the child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



FIRST THINGS FIRST Ages & Stages

Available in
English and
Spanish



From the day your child is born, understanding how they play, learn, speak, act and move offers important clues about your child's development. While all children develop differently, it helps to know if your child is meeting typical milestones at different ages and stages and how you can support their healthy development. Understand what's happening at different stages of your child's life and how you can help them learn and grow.

VISIT FirstThingsFirst.org/AgesAndStages

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Education

Havasu Preparatory Academy Preschool

3155 Maricopa Ave
LHC, AZ 86406
928-854-4011

Our preschool program introduces children to the concept of school in a playful and nurturing environment.

Preschool is a paid tuition program.

Lake Havasu Unified School District

2200 Havasupai Blvd.
LHC, AZ 86403
928-505-6900

Provides academic instruction for students in pre-K through grade 12.

Little Knights Preschool

2675 Palo Verde Blvd. S
LHC, AZ 86403
928-854-5347

Serving ages 3-5 years.

Nautilus Preschool

1425 Patricial Drive
LHC, AZ 86404
928-505-6060

Provides a high-quality education that meets the unique needs and development of the whole child. We strive to provide a safe learning space where every child feels valued, respected, and loved.

Oro Grande Classical Academy Preschool

1250 Pawnee Dr.
LHC, AZ 86406
928-505-6080

Our goal is to incorporate virtues and values, good manners, and develop a social and educational foundation in an effort to become kindergarten ready. Serving 4 year olds.

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Preschool

1975 Daytona Drive
LHC, AZ 86403
928-855-0154

Preschool accepts students from 3 to 5 years old. All students must be 3 years of age before September 1, 2025 and must be potty trained.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Education

Paw Prints Preschool Telesis Preparatory Academy

2598 Starlite Lane
LHC, AZ 86403
928-855-8661 ext. 122
Serving ages 3-5 years.

Smoketree Developmental Preschool

2395 Smoketree Ave
LHC, AZ 86403
928-505-6033
Developmental preschool program
for children with special needs, ages
3-5, who qualify for services based
on state and federal guidelines.
Accepts DES subsidy.

WACOG Head Start - Starline

3150 Starline Dr.
LHC, AZ 86406
928-505-6047
Center based early childhood
development program. Eligibility
Requirements: Income guidelines
and age (3 & 4 years old by
August 31). Priority to children
with disabilities, homeless, foster
children, lowest income.

WACOG Head Start - Lake Havasu City

2385 Pima Dr. N.
LHC, AZ 86403
928-680-6212
Center based early childhood
development program. Eligibility
Requirements: Income guidelines
and age (3 & 4 years old by
August 31). Priority to children
with disabilities, homeless, foster
children, lowest income.

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Emergency/Non-Emergency

Arizona Department of Child Safety

1755 McCulloch Blvd. N. Ste 101
928-854-0315
Child Abuse Hotline
1-888-767-2445

AZ Statewide Crisis Line

1-844-534-4673 or 1-844-534-HOPE

Lake Havasu City Fire Department

928-855-1141
Emergency services.

Lake Havasu City Police Department

2360 McCulloch Blvd. N
LHC, AZ 86403
Emergency: 911
Non-emergency: 928-855-1171
Provides emergency response law enforcement and crime prevention services for the city.

Mohave County Sheriff's Department

3500 AZ-95
LHC, AZ 86404
928-453-0745

The Sheriff's office duty is to serve the Civil Processes and legal documents originating from Arizona Superior Courts, Justice Courts; attorneys, private individuals and out of state entities needing service in Mohave County. Seventy-five members of the Sheriff's office assist the Sheriff by carrying out search and rescue missions and other duties.

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Health Services

Mohave County Health Department

2001 College Drive
LHC, AZ 86403
928-453-0703
Mohave.gov

Family Planning Clinics,
Environmental Health Programs,
Mental Health Services, Nutrition
Programs, Vaccination Programs,
Woman, Infant and Children Program
(WIC), Women's Health Programs.
Birth & Death Certificates, Vital
Records, Flu & Pneumonia Shots, HIV
& STD testing, Laboratory Services.

Health Services:

Dental

Cosmic Kids Dentistry

80 Acoma Blvd. S,
LHC, AZ 86403
928-855-7717
Pediatric dental provider.

Kids Little Smiles

5601 Hwy. 95 Ste A116
LHC, AZ 86406
928-505-5437
Pediatric dental provider.

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Health Services

Mental Health

Mohave Mental Health-Children's Clinic

151 Riviera Dr. Suite B
LHC, AZ 86403
928-855-3432
www.mmhc-inc.org

Outpatient clinics provide children with behavioral health services including assessment, therapy, counseling, and medication support. Services may also include case management, family support, and skill-building, guided by a care plan developed with the child and family.

Southwest Behavioral Health Outpatient Clinic

1845 McCulloch Blvd. Suite B-1
LHC, AZ 86403
928-453-2661
www.sbhservices.org

Services provided: Individual, Group and Family Counseling, Medication Services, Psychiatric Care, Skills Training, Case Management, Vocational Services, DUI Education, and DV Education.

M.I.K.I.D.

928-704-9111
www.mikid.org/
Services Lake Havasu

Provides support, education, and skill development to families and their children, youth, and young adults who are experiencing mental health and behavior changes.

Eligibility: AHCCCS, Mercy Care, Care First or other State insurance.

Postpartum Support International Helpline

Call/Text in English:
1-800-944-4773
Text en Español: 971-203-7773
<https://postpartum.net/>
The Helpline will provide you with support and resources. You will be asked to leave a confidential message and a trained and caring volunteer will return your call or text.

In an emergency or crisis situation, call or text 988.

In a non-emergency situation, call or text the Helpline at 800-944-4773. You never need a diagnosis to ask for help.

Call or text the National #MaternalMentalHealth Hotline at 1-833-TLC-MAMA (1-833-852-6262)

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services:

Pediatricians

Havasu Medical Group- Primary Care and Pediatrics

1851 Mesquite Ave Ste #202
LHC, AZ 86403
928-854-0094
Pediatric services.

Havasu Rainbow Pediatrics

1980 Mesquite Ave., #101
LHC, AZ 86403
928-680-1919
Medical group practice located in
LHC that specializes in Pediatrics.

Health Services

FQHC

*(Federally Qualified Health Centers are
outpatient clinics that serve rural areas)*

Havasu Pediatric and Family Center - Regional Center for Border Health

1940 Mesquite Ave. Ste A
LHC, AZ 86403
928-459-3512
Provides primary health care and
integrated behavioral health services.

North Country Healthcare

2090 N. Smoketree Ave
LHC, AZ 86403
928-854-1800
Provides family practice clinic, well-
woman exams, well-baby checkups,
immunizations and referrals to
necessary specialists.
Offer pediatric care.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Nutrition and Food Resources

Christ Chapel Food Pantry

3450 Chemehuevi Blvd.
LHC, AZ 86403
928-855-7230
Open Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Please call before coming in as food availability varies.

HCHF Community Food Bank

1980 N Kiowa Blvd
LHC, AZ 86403
928-264-1177
Open M, T, TH, F from 10am-1pm

Restoration Hope Church Food Pantry

3430 McCulloch Blvd. N.
LHC, AZ 86403
928-302-3264
Open Saturdays 9:00-12:00

St. Vincent De Paul Food Distribution Center

1851 Commander Dr.
LHC, AZ 86403
928-680-2874
Food Distribution 9:30-2:00
Wednesday-Friday

WIC Program

Mohave County Department of Public Health

2001 College Drive
LHC, AZ 86403
928-453-0716

Supplemental healthy foods, nutrition education, referrals to other health services Prenatal-5 years of age qualify.

Libraries

Mohave County Library - Lake Havasu City

1770 N. McCulloch Blvd.
LHC, AZ 86403
928-453-0718
<https://www.mohavecountylibrary.us/lake-havasu-city>
Library loans books, e-books, audio books, videotapes, CDs and DVDs. Programs for all ages including Baby jamboree (ages 0-2) and Sunshine Hour (ages 2-5).

Why Early Childhood Matters

From birth to age 5, a child's brain grows more than at any other time in life. And early brain development has a lasting impact on a child's ability to learn and succeed in school and life. The quality of a child's experiences in the first few years of life – positive or negative – helps shape how their brain develops.



90%

**of Brain Growth Happens
Before Kindergarten**

At birth, the average baby's brain is about a quarter of the size of the average adult brain. Incredibly, it doubles in size in the first year. It keeps growing to about 80% of adult size by age 3 and 90% – nearly full grown – by age 5.

The brain is the command center of the human body. A newborn baby has all of the brain cells (neurons) they'll have for the rest of their life, but it's the connections between these cells that really make the brain work. Brain connections enable us to move, think, communicate and do just about everything. The early childhood years are crucial for making these connections. At least one million new neural connections (synapses) are made every second, more than at any other time in life.

The early years are the best opportunity for a child's brain to develop the connections they need to be healthy, capable, successful adults. The connections needed for many important, higher-level abilities like motivation, self-regulation, problem solving and communication are formed in these early years – or not formed. It's much harder for these essential brain connections to be formed later in life.

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www.swhd.org

"Nothing Out of the Question"
"Toda Pregunta es Buena"

1-877-705-KIDS (5437)

Call the Helpline to speak with an early childhood specialist, on duty Mon-Fri. 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Birth to Five Helpline is a free service available to all Arizona families with young children, as well as parents-to-be, with questions about their infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

Topics addressed include but not limited to:

- Sleep
- Health and Nutrition
- Safety
- Challenging Behaviors
- Feeding and Eating
- General Child Development
- Potty Training/Learning
- Fussiness/Colic
- Parenting

An extension of the Birth to Five Helpline is the Fussy Baby program. This program provides telephone, home visiting and virtual video consultation and support to help families navigate challenges associated with hard-to-soothe infants, excessive crying, sleeping problems and feeding difficulties during their child's first year of life.

Download the Birth to Five Helpline app!





 FIRST THINGS FIRST

Kingman Area Resource Guide

Servicing: Chloride, Dolan Springs, Golden Valley, Hackberry, Temple Bar
Marina, Truxton, Valentine, Valley Vista, White Hills, Wikieup, and Yucca

FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN BIRTH TO AGE 5



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CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

Arizona Department of Economic Security (AZDES)

2400 Airway Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
Nutrition, Cash and Medical Assistance
855-432-7587
Child Care Assistance
928-753-6621
Child Support Assistance
928-753-5105
<https://des.az.gov/>

Basic Needs: Adult Protections Services, Food Assistance, Medical Assistance (www.healthearizonaplus.gov), Refugee Resettlement, Shelter and Housing

Child and Family: Cash Assistance, Child Care, Child Support Services, Community Resources

Disabilities: Developmental Disabilities, Early Intervention, Achieving a better life experience

Older Adults: Home and Community Based Services, Healthy Living, Medicare Assistance, Legal Services Assistance, Family Caregiver Support, LongTerm Care Ombudsman, Aging Publications, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Conference

Employment: Job Seekers, Reentry Services, Employer Resources, Apprenticeship, Unemployment-Employer, Senior Community Service Program, Veterans, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Eligible Training Provider List

APS Crisis Bill Assistance Program WACOG

928-753-6247

Provides utility assistance. They offer other services ranging from weatherization of homes to cut energy cost to rental assistance on a case by case basis.

CASA Council Helping Children of Mohave County/La Paz County

Beverly Siemens
Board President
530-632-5567
casasupport.org

CASA Council is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, which is a foundation that raises money to benefit the unmet needs of children in out-of-home care (foster care, relative placements, and In-Home Services).

Kingman Area Literacy Program

The Kingman Area Literacy Program (KALP) is a 100% volunteer run organization and provides 100% free literacy services for people in Kingman, Arizona including reading, writing, English language learning, and GED test preparation.

928-421-2367

Erin Roper, Director

Call to double check this is still a valid program closer to the new guides.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

Community Legal Services

2701 E. Andy Devine, Suite 400

Kingman, AZ 86401

P: 928-681-1177

1-800-255-9031

TTY: Arizona Relay: 711

F: 928-681-5998

Email: infomoco@clsaz.org

Community Legal Services (CLS) is dedicated to providing legal assistance, advice or representation, self-help materials and legal education so people can know their rights. We focus on helping survivors of domestic violence; assisting victims of consumer fraud and abuse, protecting tenants from unlawful/unfair practices by landlords, foreclosures, legal problems affecting agricultural workers, wage claims and other employment matters, and federal and state programs affecting peoples' health and economic stability.

Cornerstone Mission Project, Inc

3049 Sycamore Ave

Kingman, AZ 86409

928-757-1535

Provides a faith-based resource center for people who are homeless.

Services: Public showers, soup kitchen, housing related coordinated entry

River Cities United Way

928-855-6333

Helping Businesses and individuals with rent utilities, and various needs.

Salvation Army

543 E. Andy Devine Ave.

Kingman, AZ 86401

928-718-2600

Provides food, clothing, and utility payment assistance to people in need.

Social Security Office

1502 Bailey Ave.

Needles, CA 92363

800-772-1213

Obtain social security cards, name change, social security benefits.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Birth to Five Resources:

Breastfeeding Resources

Arizona 24/7 Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-307-4231

La Leche League

1-877-452-5324

<https://llusa.org/>

Pregnancy and Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-833-4642

Birth to Five Resources:

Child Care Resources

Child Care Resource & Referral Child and Family Resources, Inc.

1-800-308-9000

www.azccrr.com

M-F 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM,

Sat 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Child Care Information Line:

1-800-308-9000

Child Care Resource & Referral, CCR&R, is a statewide program of Child & Family Resources, Inc. Funding is provided by the Arizona Department of Economic Security's Child Care Administration through federal Child Care Development Block Grant funds. Staff provides referrals to families including but not limited to: child care, financial assistance, housing/utility assistance. Staff also provides consumer education on the different types of childcare options in the state & how to make the best option for your child and family.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Birth to Five Resources:

Home Visitation

Child and Family Resources, Inc

625 E. Beale Street
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-4410
Cole Callen
CCallen@cfrz.org

Our free home visiting programs support expecting parents and families with young children. Families can enroll during pregnancy or after. Using evidence-based models like Parents as Teachers, Healthy Families, and Health Start visits focus on prenatal health, child development, school readiness, early literacy, and family resilience. Visits take place in your home, and all materials for learning activities are provided. Additional services include parent socials, car seat safety programs, and community resource referrals.

High Risk Perinatal Program Mohave County Department of Public Health

700 W. Beale St.
Kingman, AZ 86401
JoBeth Giovanardi
GiovaJ@mohave.gov
928-753-0714 ext. 4323

Provides free in-home community health nursing services to assist eligible families and their newborns during the transition from the Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU) to their home and community. The CHN provides support to the family by providing education and connections to community resources.

Eligibility: Infants who have spent five or more days in the NICU.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Birth to Five Resources:

Other

Advice And Aid Pregnancy Center

2975 Northern Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-692-1301

www.pregnancyadviceaid.org

Free pregnancy tests, free ultrasounds for 9-14 weeks, individual pregnancy counseling, post abortion counseling, education and information on options and alternatives, referrals for prenatal and childbirth classes, clothing (0-5 and maternity), diapers, wipes, formula and furniture for mothers and families. Love, Care and Encouragement.

First Things First

602-908-4652
www.FirstThingsFirst.org

Local region covers Mohave and La Paz County

First Things First is Arizona's early childhood agency, with programs and resources to support great childhoods. By focusing on the first five years, we are making a difference in the lives of young children, their families and our communities. Quality early learning and child care are essential for stronger, healthier families and for the economic future of Arizona.

Birth to Five Helpline

1-877-705-KIDS (5437)

The Birth to Five Helpline is a free service available to all Arizona families with young children, as well as parents-to-be, with questions about their infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

(see page 27 for more information)

Family Support Coordination Parenting Arizona

928-440-6782

Chicanos Por La Causa/Parenting Arizona's Family Support Coordination program supports families with children age birth to 5. Our goal is to assist them in understanding, accessing, and navigating services that promote family well-being by engaging families and connecting them with community resources. Family Support Coordinators provide guidance, advocacy, and coordination throughout the process. Our aim is to refer families to timely and essential services, fostering family well-being and self-sufficiency.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Birth to Five Resources:

Other

Lantern

(Formerly Bright By Text)

Text "ARIZONAPBS" to 274448
www.azpbs.org/kidstext

Lantern is a free program for parents and caregivers that sends tips and resources promoting child development, targeted to a child's age from prenatal to 11 years old, right to their cell phone.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace

844-432-2337 x5101
shpbeds.org/chapter/az-kingman/
Volunteers build beds for children and youth that need them.

Child Care Centers

Bright Beginnings Childcare Center

810 Eastern St
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-418-0584

Child care center servicing children birth to the age of 12. Accepts DES subsidy.

Grace Neal Preschool

1730 Kino Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-692-8830

Childcare services birth through 12 years of age. Accepts DES Subsidy.

Kingman Gingerbread House

4145 N. Bank St.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-757-7977

Childcare services provided for families with infants to school age. Accept DES Subsidy.

Lily Pad Preschool and Daycare Center

1099 Sunrise Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-718-4482

Center provides services to ages 1 to 12 years of age. Accepts DES Subsidy.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Child Care Centers

Little Knights and Ladies Child Development Center, Inc.

1911 Kino Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-529-5287
Open 7am.-6pm.

Childcare service for families with children Ages 1-5 years old. Accepts DES subsidy.

Little Minnows Learning Center

3348 Western Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-757-3144
Open 6am.-8pm.

Childcare services with families with children ages 6 weeks- 12 years old.

SLS Family Child Care Provider

928-733-7836
Open Monday - Thursday
Local registered child care provider taking children ages 2 and up.
Times and availability discussed by appointment only, please call the contact number above.

Disabilities & Special Needs Resources

Disability Rights Arizona

disabilityrightsaz.org

Arizona Early Intervention Program (AZEIP)

A statewide system of services and supports for families of infants and toddlers, birth to three years of age, with delays or disabilities. AzEIP provides eligible children and their families access to services to support the child's development through in-home individualized parent education and support. AzEIP has service-providing agencies located in your area.

For more information or to make a referral, visit the website - bit.ly/3S6GK4l or make a referral by calling 888-592-0140

For questions or to check the status of the referral call 602-532-9960

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Disabilities & Special Needs Resources

Encircle Families

(Formerly Raising Special Kids)

5025 E. Washington St. Ste. 204

Phoenix, AZ 85034

602-242-4366

encirclefamilies.org

Encircle Families exists to improve the lives of children with the full range of disabilities, from birth to age 26, by providing support, training, information and individual assistance so families can become effective advocates for their children.

Essential Therapy Solutions Clinic

1912 Miami

Kingman, AZ 86401

480-677-3349

<https://www.etherapyaz.com>

Essential Therapy Solutions offers various services and programs in both home and clinic settings.

Essential Therapy Solutions contracts with AzEIP to help children birth to 3 years of age and with the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) for children and some adults 3+ years. We also accept families with insurance as well as cash pay. The services we provide are Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Feeding Therapy, Service Coordination, Developmental Instruction and Telehealth.

RISE Services

2519 Airway Ave.

Kingman, AZ 86409

928-753-5889

Provides support services for children, adults and seniors with developmental and physical disabilities.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Early Intervention Information

What is Early Intervention?

Early Intervention is specialized support for infants and toddlers (birth to age 3) who have or may be at risk for developmental delays. It includes services like speech therapy, physical therapy and developmental support to help children reach important milestones.

Why is Early Intervention Important?

Early support can improve a child's growth, learning and future success. It helps children become more independent, improves school readiness and may reduce long-term therapy costs.

What Can I Do if I Have Concerns?

Talk to your child's pediatrician – Don't wait! Early action makes a difference.

Check developmental milestones – Use the CDC Milestone Tracker App (free on iOS & Android) or search CDC Milestone Checklist online.

Request a developmental screening – Ask your doctor or complete a free Ages & Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)
<https://www.firstthingsfirst.org/resources/ages-and-stages/>

Get an evaluation – See more info below.

How do I get my child evaluated?

If your child is Birth to Age 3:

Contact the Arizona Early Intervention Program where you can refer your child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



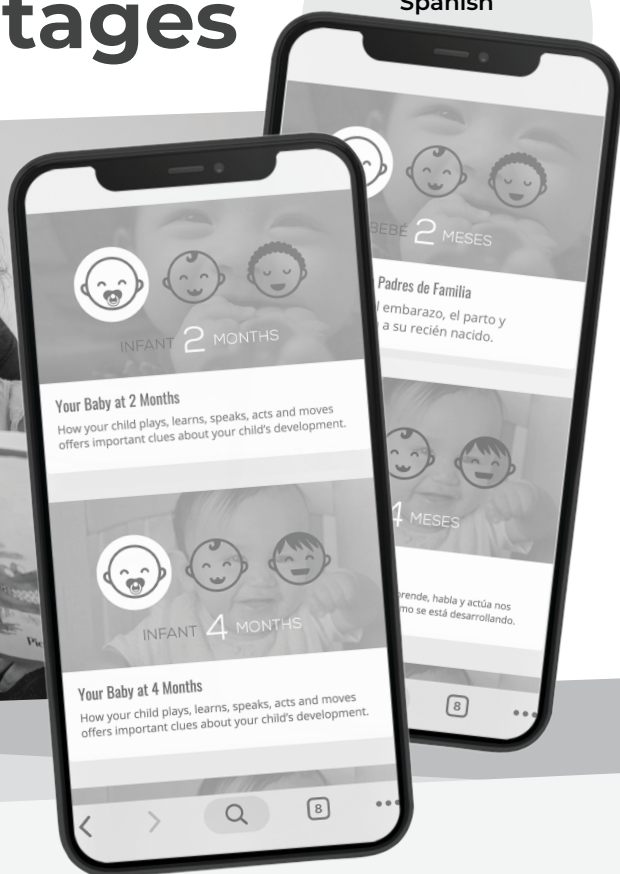
If your child is age 3 to 21:

Contact your local school district to learn about Child Find events or request an evaluation. With parent permission, a home visitor, child care provider, teacher or healthcare provider can also refer the child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



FIRST THINGS FIRST Ages & Stages

Available in
English and
Spanish



From the day your child is born, understanding how they play, learn, speak, act and move offers important clues about your child's development. While all children develop differently, it helps to know if your child is meeting typical milestones at different ages and stages and how you can support their healthy development. Understand what's happening at different stages of your child's life and how you can help them learn and grow.

VISIT FirstThingsFirst.org/AgesAndStages

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Education

Building Blocks Preschool

2040 Golden Gate Ave
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-5699

Child Care Center serving children birth to age 12. Accepts DES subsidy.

Emmanuel Christian Academy

3120 Hualapai Mountain Rd.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-681-4220

Private Christian School for ages pre-k through 8th grade.

Kingman Academy of Learning- Primary School

3400 N. Burbank St.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-692-2500

Charter schools providing services to families with children in preschool through high school.

Kingman Unified School District

3033 MacDonald Ave
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-5678

Provides academic instruction for students in pre-K through grade 12. Homeless School Transition Program, Special Education Classes/Centers.

Little Brick Schoolhouse

2302 Lilly Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-5439

Preschool services for families with children ages 3-12 years old.

Little Eagle Preschool

1475 Gordon Dr.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-757-7888
Open 6am.-6pm.

Preschool services provided to families with children ages 3-5 years. Accepts DES subsidy.

Little Explorers Preschool

3175 Gordon Dr.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-753-6413

Preschool, Junior Kindergarten, and Special Needs programs available. Accepts DES subsidy.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Education

WACOG Head Start - Brian Meyer-Davis

601 Van Buren St.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-8730

Center based early childhood development program. Eligibility Requirements: Income guidelines and age (3 & 4 years old by August 31). Priority to children with disabilities, homeless, foster children, lowest income.

WACOG Head Start - Cerbat

2689 Jagerson Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-757-7574

Center based early childhood development program. Eligibility Requirements: Income guidelines and age (3 & 4 years old by August 31). Priority to children with disabilities, homeless, foster children, lowest income.

WACOG Head Start - Golden Valley

3404 Santa Maria Rd.
Golden Valley, AZ 86413

Center based early childhood development program. Eligibility Requirements: Income guidelines and age (3 & 4 years old by August 31). Priority to children with disabilities, homeless, foster children, lowest income.

WACOG Head Start - Hubbs House

421 Golconda St.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-1066

Center based early childhood development program. Eligibility Requirements: Income guidelines and age (3 & 4 years old by August 31). Priority to children with disabilities, homeless, foster children, lowest income.

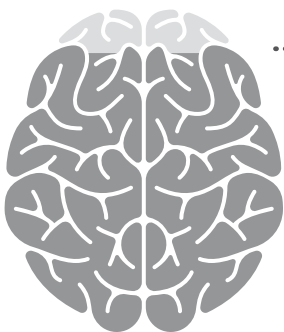
WACOG Head Start - Kingman North

1971 Jagerson Ave. Bldg. 700
Kingman, AZ 86409

Center based early childhood development program. Eligibility Requirements: Income guidelines and age (3 & 4 years old by August 31). Priority to children with disabilities, homeless, foster children, lowest income.

Why Early Childhood Matters

From birth to age 5, a child's brain grows more than at any other time in life. And early brain development has a lasting impact on a child's ability to learn and succeed in school and life. The quality of a child's experiences in the first few years of life – positive or negative – helps shape how their brain develops.



90%

**of Brain Growth Happens
Before Kindergarten**

At birth, the average baby's brain is about a quarter of the size of the average adult brain. Incredibly, it doubles in size in the first year. It keeps growing to about 80% of adult size by age 3 and 90% – nearly full grown – by age 5.

The brain is the command center of the human body. A newborn baby has all of the brain cells (neurons) they'll have for the rest of their life, but it's the connections between these cells that really make the brain work. Brain connections enable us to move, think, communicate and do just about everything. The early childhood years are crucial for making these connections. At least one million new neural connections (synapses) are made every second, more than at any other time in life.

The early years are the best opportunity for a child's brain to develop the connections they need to be healthy, capable, successful adults. The connections needed for many important, higher-level abilities like motivation, self-regulation, problem solving and communication are formed in these early years – or not formed. It's much harder for these essential brain connections to be formed later in life.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Emergency/Non-Emergency

Arizona Department of Child Safety

2400 Airway Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86004
928-753-5056
Child Abuse Hotline
1-888-767-2445

AZ Statewide Crisis Line

1-844-534-4673 or 1-844-534-HOPE

Kingman Aid to Abused People

Confidential Location
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-4242

Services: Baby clothes donation programs, cleaning product donation programs, domestic violence hotline, domestic violence shelter, housing related coordinated entry, personal grooming supplies, sexual assault hotline, sexual assault shelter, underwear/sleepwear donation program.

Kingman Fire Department

412 E Oak St
Kingman, AZ 86401
Office: 928-753-2891
Fax: 928-753-7597
Email: fire@cityofkingman.gov
Dispatch: 928-753-8050

Kingman Police Department

2730 E Andy Devine Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-2191
Provides emergency response law enforcement and crime prevention services for the city.

Mohave County Sheriff's Office

600 W. Beale Street
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-0753

The Sheriff's office duty is to serve the Civil Processes and legal documents originating from Arizona Superior Courts, Justice Courts; attorneys, private individuals and out of state entities needing service in Mohave County. Seventy-five members of the Sheriff's office assist the Sheriff by carrying out search and rescue missions and other duties.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services

Mohave County Health Department

700 Beale St.
Kingman, AZ 86402
928-753-0714
Mailing Address: PO Box 7000
Kingman, AZ. 86402

Family Planning Clinics,
Environmental Health Programs,
Mental Health Services, Nutrition
Programs, Vaccination Programs,
Woman, Infant and Children
Program (WIC), Women’s Health
Programs.

Birth & Death Certificates, Vital
Records, Flu & Pneumonia Shots,
HIV & STD testing, Laboratory
Services.

Health Services:

Dental

Just For Kids Dentistry

2401 Stockton Hill Rd # 1
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-718-7188

Kids Little Smiles

2202 Hualapai Mountain Rd
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-718-7645

Pediatric dental provider.

Health Services:

Mental Health

M.I.K.I.D. - Kingman

2615 E. Beverly Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-753-4354
www.mikid.org/

Provides support, education, and skill
development to families and their
children, youth, and young adults
who are experiencing mental health
and behavior changes.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services:

Mental Health

Mohave Mental Health Children's Clinic

915 Airway Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-718-4800
www.mmhc-inc.org

Outpatient clinics provide children with behavioral health services including assessment, therapy, counseling, and medication support. Services may also include case management, family support, and skill-building, guided by a care plan developed with the child and family.

Southwest Behavioral Health Outpatient Clinic

2215 Hualapai Mountain Rd. Ste H
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-9387
www.sbhservices.org

Services provided: Individual, Group and Family Counseling, Medication Services, Psychiatric Care, Skills Training, Case Management, Vocational Services, DUI Education, and DV Education.

Postpartum Support International Helpline

Call/Text in English:
1-800-944-4773
Text en Español: 971-203-7773
<https://postpartum.net/>

The HelpLine will provide you with support and resources. You will be asked to leave a confidential message and a trained and caring volunteer will return your call or text.

In an emergency or crisis situation, call or text 988.

In a non-emergency situation, call or text the HelpLine at 800-944-4773. You never need a diagnosis to ask for help.

Call or text the National
#MaternalMentalHealth Hotline at
1-833-TLC-MAMA (1-833-852-6262)

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services:

Pediatrics

Family Practice Residency Clinic

3801 Santa Rosa Drive Ste #400
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-681-8701

KRMC's Family Practice Residency Clinic offers comprehensive medical care to people of all ages, from newborns to senior adults. Whether you're ill or simply in need of a check-up, our family medicine residents will provide you thorough, attentive medical care.

Joshua Tree Pediatrics

2202 Stockton Hill Rd. #100
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-681-8706

At Joshua Tree Pediatrics, our skilled pediatricians and support staff provide a full range of healthcare services for children 0-18. From routine health maintenance and preventative care to diagnosing and treating complex medical problems, we are here to assure your child's maximum health and wellbeing at each stage in their development.

Health Services:

FQHC

(Federally Qualified Health Centers are outpatient clinics that serve rural areas)

Kingman Family Walk-in Clinic Regional Center for Border Health

2302 Stockton Hill Rd. Suite G
Kingman, AZ 86401

Family Primary Care:
Immunizations, family planning services, woman and teens health, laboratory services, and chronic disease management.

Behavioral Health: Intake, assessments, referral services, children and adult services, substance abuse, evaluation and treatment, general mental health therapy, psychiatric health and medication management.

North Country Healthcare

Dr. Tiffany Russell
1510 Stockton Hill Rd.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-1177

North Country HealthCare's doctors and care providers are dedicated to providing primary care to you and your whole family. Our family practice offers walk-ins and same day appointments for routine and sick visits. We accept most insurance plans and offer affordable payment options for those who are uninsured or underinsured. Our low-cost options include a sliding fee scale discount program which is based on income and family size.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Libraries

Mohave County Library - Dolan Springs

16140 Pierce Ferry Road
Dolan Springs, AZ 86441
928-767-4292

Call for current hours

Library loans books, e-books, audio books, videotapes, CDs and DVDs.

Mohave County Library - Golden Valley

4901 Pay Roll Ave.
Chloride, AZ 86431
928-565-2200

Call for current hours

Library loans books, e-books, audio books, videotapes, CDs and DVDs.

Mohave County Library - Golden Valley

3417 Verde Rd.
Golden Valley, AZ 86413
928-565-2989

Call for current hours

Library loans books, e-books, audio books, videotapes, CDs and DVDs.

Mohave County Library - Kingman

3269 N. Burbank St
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-692-2665

Services: Book loan, document copying services, faxing, public access computers, public internet access, family story time, after school fun for kids.

Mohave County Library - Meadview

149 E Meadview Blvd.
Meadview, AZ 86444-0187
928-564-2535

Call for current hours

Library loans books, e-books, audio books, videotapes, CDs and DVDs.

Mohave County Library - Valle Vista

7264 Concho Dr. Ste B
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-692-7662

Call for current hours

Library loans books, e-books, audio books, videotapes, CDs and DVDs.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Nutrition and Food Resources

Happy Hearts Consignment/ Thrift Store

5317 Hwy 68
Golden Valley, AZ 86413
goldenvalleyfamilyresources@gmail.com
Food Distribution

Kingman Area Food Bank

2930 E Butler Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-757-4165
Provides emergency food boxes once
every 30 days if needed.

Salvation Army

1200 E. Andy Devine Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-718-2600
Provides food, clothing, and utility
payment assistance to people in
need.

WIC Program

Mohave County Department of Public Health

700 W. Beale St.
Kingman, AZ 86402
928-753-0794 ext. 4334
8am-6pm M-Thurs
8am-12pm Friday
Supplemental healthy foods,
nutrition education, referrals to
other health services Prenatal-5
years of age qualify.

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www.swhd.org

"Nothing Out of the Question"
"Toda Pregunta es Buena"

1-877-705-KIDS (5437)

Call the Helpline to speak with an early childhood specialist, on duty Mon-Fri. 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Birth to Five Helpline is a free service available to all Arizona families with young children, as well as parents-to-be, with questions about their infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

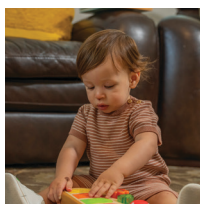
Topics addressed include but not limited to:

- Sleep
- Health and Nutrition
- Safety
- Challenging Behaviors
- Feeding and Eating
- General Child Development
- Potty Training/Learning
- Fussiness/Colic
- Parenting

An extension of the Birth to Five Helpline is the Fussy Baby program. This program provides telephone, home visiting and virtual video consultation and support to help families navigate challenges associated with hard-to-soothe infants, excessive crying, sleeping problems and feeding difficulties during their child's first year of life.

Download the Birth to Five Helpline app!





FIRST THINGS FIRST

Hualapai Area Resource Guide

Servicing: Hackberry, Peach Springs, Truxton, Valentine and Valley Vista

FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN BIRTH TO AGE 5



FIRST THINGS FIRST

About First Things First

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Phone: 602-908-4652

Website: www.FirstThingsFirst.org
FirstThingsFirst.org/Regions/Hualapai-Tribe/



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CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

Arizona Department of Economic Security (AZDES)

2400 Airway Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
Nutrition, Cash and Medical Assistance
855-432-7587
Child Care Assistance
928-753-6621
Child Support Assistance
928-753-5105
<https://des.az.gov/>

Basic Needs: Adult Protections Services, Food Assistance, Medical Assistance (www.healthearizonaplus.gov), Refugee Resettlement, Shelter and Housing

Child and Family: Cash Assistance, Child Care, Child Support Services, Community Resources

Disabilities: Developmental Disabilities, Early Intervention, Achieving a better life experience

Older Adults: Home and Community Based Services, Healthy Living, Medicare Assistance, Legal Services Assistance, Family Caregiver Support, LongTerm Care Ombudsman, Aging Publications, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Conference

Employment: Job Seekers, Reentry Services, Employer Resources, Apprenticeship, Unemployment-Employer, Senior Community Service Program, Veterans, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Eligible Training Provider List

CASA Council Helping Children of Mohave County/La Paz County

Beverly Siemens
Board President
530-632-5567
casasupport.org

CASA Council is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, which is a foundation that raises money to benefit the unmet needs of children in out-of-home care (foster care, relative placements, and In-Home Services).

Cornerstone Mission Project, Inc

3049 Sycamore Ave
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-757-1535

Provides a faith-based resource center for people who are homeless.

Services: Public showers, soup kitchen, housing related coordinated entry.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

Hualapai Housing Department

600 Highview Street
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-2274

Low Rent Program—This program provides low-income rental housing to eligible participants who meet all its requirements. It can serve as a stepping stone for the Homeownership Program. Hualapai tribal members are the first to receive preference for the program.

Homeownership Program—This program provides low-income Homeownership opportunities to Hualapai Tribal members who meet the Program's requirements through a lease-to-purchase agreement.

Open 8 am.-5 pm. After-hour emergency call: 928-769-2220

River Cities United Way

928-855-6333

Helping Businesses and individuals with rent utilities, and various needs.

Salvation Army

543 E. Andy Devine Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-718-2600

Provides food, clothing, and utility payment assistance to people in need.

Social Security Office

1502 Bailey Ave.
Needles, CA 92363
800-772-1213

Obtain social security cards, name change, social security benefits.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Birth to Five Resources:

Breastfeeding Resources

Arizona 24/7 Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-307-4231

La Leche League

1-877-452-5324

<https://llusa.org/>

Pregnancy and Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-833-4642

Birth to Five Resources:

Child Care Resources

Child Care Resource & Referral Child and Family Resources, Inc.

1-800-308-9000

www.azccrr.com

M-F 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM,

Sat 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Child Care Information Line:

1-800-308-9000

Child Care Resource & Referral, CCR&R, is a statewide program of Child & Family Resources, Inc. Funding is provided by the Arizona Department of Economic Security's Child Care Administration through federal Child Care Development Block Grant funds. Staff provides referrals to families including but not limited to: child care, financial assistance, housing/utility assistance. Staff also provides consumer education on the different types of childcare options in the state & how to make the best option for your child and family.

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Birth to Five Resources:

Home Visitation

Health Start Program

Mohave County Department of Public Health

700 W. Beale St.

Kingman, AZ 86401

JoBeth Giovanardi

GiovaJ@mohave.gov

928-753-0714 ext. 4323

Community home visitation program that collaborates with pregnant women and their families. The goal of Health Start is to give your child and family the best chance of success with a strong support system through education, development, and referrals to community resources.

High Risk Perinatal Program

Mohave County Department of Public Health

700 W. Beale St.

Kingman, AZ 86401

JoBeth Giovanardi

GiovaJ@mohave.gov

928-753-0714 ext. 4323

Provides free in-home community health nursing services to assist eligible families and their newborns during the transition from the Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU) to their home and community. The CHN provides support to the family by providing education and connections to community resources.

Eligibility: Infants who have spent five or more days in the NICU.

Hualapai Parents as Teachers

488 Hualapai Way

Peach Springs, AZ 86434

928-769-2207

Parent Educators provide information and education on parenting, child development and various health topics with an emphasis on family culture while promoting family self-sufficiency. Home Visits/Office Visits are conducted with families with children from birth to age 5.

Service areas include the Hualapai Indian Reservation, Kingman and surrounding areas.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Birth to Five Resources:

Other

Advice And Aid Pregnancy Center

2975 Northern Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-692-1301

www.pregnancyadviceaid.org

Free pregnancy tests, free ultrasounds for 9-14 weeks, individual pregnancy counseling, post abortion counseling, education and information on options and alternatives, referrals for prenatal and childbirth classes, clothing (0-5 and maternity), diapers, wipes, formula and furniture for mothers and families. Love, Care and Encouragement.

Birth to Five Helpline

1-877-705-KIDS (5437)

The Birth to Five Helpline is a free service available to all Arizona families with young children, as well as parents-to-be, with questions about their infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

(see page 31 for more information)

Boys and Girls Club of Peach Springs

479 Diamond Creek Rd,
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-1801

Provides a safe, affordable space for youth during out-of-school hours and breaks. Offers programs that promote learning, healthy habits, positive values, and personal growth, with support from trained staff and peer connections.

First Things First

602-908-4652

www.FirstThingsFirst.org

First Things First is Arizona's early childhood agency, with programs and resources to support great childhoods. By focusing on the first five years, we are making a difference in the lives of young children, their families and our communities. Quality early learning and child care are essential for stronger, healthier families and for the economic future of Arizona.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Birth to Five Resources:

Other

Hualapai Department of Cultural Resources

Historic Rte 66,
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-2223

Promotes Hualapai traditions and public education through programs in cultural arts, language, history, and ecology. Offers classes in pottery, cradleboard making, genealogy, and ethnobotany, plus youth and elder programs, garden projects, language immersion camps, and school outreach. Supports events like the Pai Gathering and Yuman Language Summit, and provides language resources through grants and community partnerships.

Hualapai Transit

941 Hualapai Way
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-2216 Ext 1137
hualapai.transit@hualapai-nsn.gov
<https://hualapaitransit.org/>

Hualapai Transit is pleased to serve the rural communities along route 66 Northeast of Kingman to Peach Springs. Communities include Valley Vista, Hackberry, Valentine, Truxton, and Peach Springs.

Hualapai Tribal Courts

960 Rodeo Way
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-2338

Provides fair and impartial court services with respect for cultural values, confidentiality, and integrity. Handles criminal, civil, juvenile, and traffic cases, and offers support for protective orders, name changes, custody, and child support matters. Services include in-person and Zoom hearings, court filings, and document requests. Filing fees apply; only money orders or certified cashier's checks accepted.

Lantern

(Formerly Bright By Text)

Text "ARIZONAPBS" to 274448
www.azpbs.org/kidstext

Bright by Text is a free program for parents and caregivers that sends tips and resources promoting child development, targeted to a child's age from prenatal to 11 years old, right to their cell phone.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Child Care Centers

Other

Sleep in Heavenly Peace

844-432-2337 x5101

Volunteers build beds for children and youth that need them.

Hualapai Tribal Member Enrollment

enrollment@hualapai-nsn.gov
928-769-2216

The Enrollment Department handles all needs for Hualapai Tribal Members to Enroll as well as keep member records.

Child Care Centers

Hualapai Day Care

475 Hualapai Way
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-1515 or 1517

The Hualapai Day Care serves children 6 months to 6 years of age. Our rates are dependent upon monthly net income and the number of people in the household. We provide service to Native American children whose parents or guardians are employed or in school. We also provide services to placement and foster children. We are a tribally operated & located in Peach Springs. Quality First Star Rated Site.

Monday - Thursday 7:15am - 5:45pm

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Disabilities & Special Needs Resources

Arizona Early Intervention Program (AZEIP)

A statewide system of services and supports for families of infants and toddlers, birth to three years of age, with delays or disabilities. AzEIP provides eligible children and their families access to services to support the child's development through in-home individualized parent education and support. AzEIP has service-providing agencies located in your area.

For more information or to make a referral, visit the website - bit.ly/3S6GK4l or make a referral by calling 888-592-0140

For questions or to check the status of the referral call 602-532-9960

Encircle Families

(Formerly Raising Special Kids)

5025 E. Washington St. Ste. 204
Phoenix, AZ 85034
602-242-4366
encirclefamilies.org

Encircle Families helps parents and caregivers of children with disabilities so their whole family can thrive. Services include individual consultation, parent-to-parent support, trainings and workshops.

Essential Therapy Solutions Clinic

1912 Miami
Kingman, AZ 86401
480-677-3349
<https://www.etherapyaz.com>

Essential Therapy Solutions offers various services and programs in both home and clinic settings.

Essential Therapy Solutions contracts with AzEIP to help children birth to 3 years of age and with the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) for children and some adults 3+ years. We also accept families with insurance as well as cash pay. The services we provide are Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Feeding Therapy, Service Coordination, Developmental Instruction and Telehealth.

RISE Services

2519 Airway Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-753-5889

Provides support services for children, adults and seniors with developmental and physical disabilities.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Early Intervention Information

What is Early Intervention?

Early Intervention is specialized support for infants and toddlers (birth to age 3) who have or may be at risk for developmental delays. It includes services like speech therapy, physical therapy and developmental support to help children reach important milestones.

Why is Early Intervention Important?

Early support can improve a child's growth, learning and future success. It helps children become more independent, improves school readiness and may reduce long-term therapy costs.

What Can I Do if I Have Concerns?

Talk to your child's pediatrician – Don't wait! Early action makes a difference.

Check developmental milestones – Use the CDC Milestone Tracker App (free on iOS & Android) or search CDC Milestone Checklist online.

Request a developmental screening – Ask your doctor or complete a free Ages & Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)
<https://www.firstthingsfirst.org/resources/ages-and-stages/>

Get an evaluation – See more info below.

How do I get my child evaluated?

If your child is Birth to Age 3:

Contact the Arizona Early Intervention Program where you can refer your child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



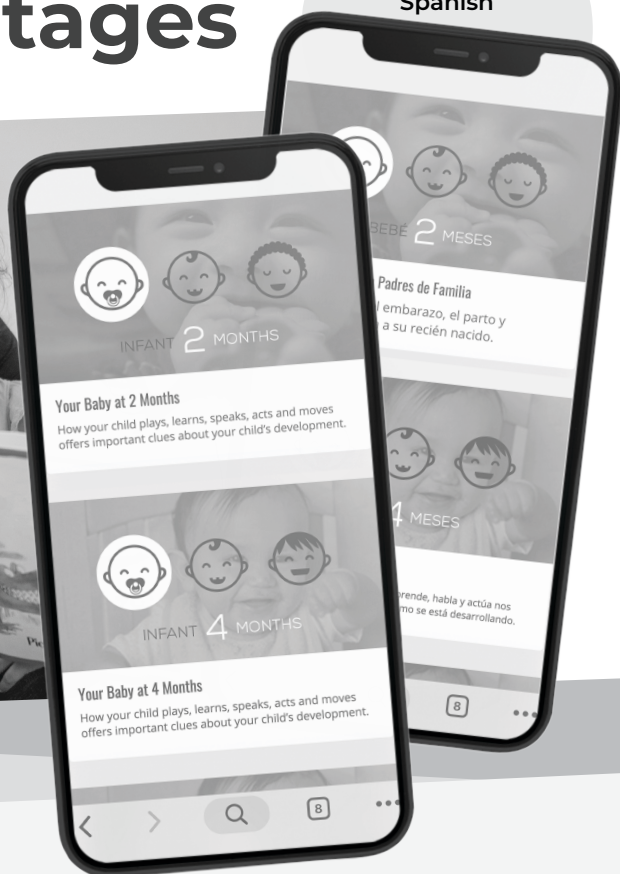
If your child is age 3 to 21:

Contact your local school district to learn about Child Find events or request an evaluation. With parent permission, a home visitor, child care provider, teacher or healthcare provider can also refer the child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



FIRST THINGS FIRST Ages & Stages

Available in
English and
Spanish



From the day your child is born, understanding how they play, learn, speak, act and move offers important clues about your child's development. While all children develop differently, it helps to know if your child is meeting typical milestones at different ages and stages and how you can support their healthy development. Understand what's happening at different stages of your child's life and how you can help them learn and grow.

VISIT FirstThingsFirst.org/AgesAndStages

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Education

District

Kingman Academy of Learning- Primary School

3400 N. Burbank St.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-692-2500

Charter schools providing services to families with children in preschool through high school.

Kingman Unified School District

3033 MacDonald Ave
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-5678

Provides academic instruction for students in pre-K through grade 12. Homeless School Transition Program, Special Education Classes/ Centers.

Peach Springs Unified School District #8

403 Diamond Creek Road
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
Elementary / District Office
928-769-2202

Music Mountain High School
928-455-5003

Provides academic instruction for students in pre-k through grade 12.

Seligman Unified School District #40

54255 N. Main St.
Seligman, AZ 86337
(928) 216-4123

Education

Other

Hualapai Department of Education and Training

460 Hualapai Way
Peach Springs AZ 86434
928-769-2200

Hours Monday - Thursday 7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Offers a book distribution program, public family library, supplemental food distribution, and additional support services to meet community needs.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Education

Schools/Preschool

Emmanuel Christian Academy

3120 Hualapai Mountain Rd.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-681-4220

Private Christian School for ages
pre-k through 8th grade.

Hualapai Tribe Head Start

479 Hualapai Way
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-2522
Headstart@hualapai-nsn.gov

Center-based early childhood
development program—family
development services. Provide
meals daily and transportation
services. Health screenings.

Eligibility Requirements: Income
guidelines and age (3 & 4 years old
by August 31). Priority to children
with disabilities, homeless, foster
children, Hualapai Members lowest
income.

Little Brick Schoolhouse

2302 Lilly Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-5439

Preschool services for families
with children ages 3-12 years old.

Little Eagle Preschool

1475 Gordon Dr.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-757-7888
Open 6am.-6pm.

Preschool services provided to
families with children ages 3-5
years. Accepts DES subsidy.

Valentine Elementary School

12491 Byers St
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-2310

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Emergency/Non-Emergency

AZ Statewide Crisis Line

1-844-534-4673 or 1-844-534-HOPE

Kingman Aid to Abused People

Confidential Location

Kingman, AZ 86401

928-753-4242

Services: Baby clothes donation programs, cleaning product donation programs, domestic violence hotline, domestic violence shelter, housing related coordinated entry, personal grooming supplies, sexual assault hotline, sexual assault shelter, underwear/sleepwear donation program.

Hualapai Fire & EMS

941 Hualapai Way,
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-2205 or 911

In addition to emergency response, offers First Aid and CPR training, fire extinguisher courses, and business safety inspections.

Hualapai Police

468 Diamond Creek
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
Office Phone
928-769-1024
Dispatch
928-769-2220

Provides emergency response law enforcement and crime preventions services.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services

Community Health Outreach Workers

River Cities United Way

928-855-6333

Community Health Outreach Workers will work closely with medical providers, primary care teams, and other agencies to improve patient care and outcomes.

Diabetes Prevention/Fitness Program

Hualapai Prevention Diabetes Program for Indians

950 Rodeo Way,
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-2644

The Hualapai Diabetes Prevention Program manages the Community Fitness Center. It provides basic health assessments and personalized fitness programs, which may include guidance on the use of exercise equipment and/or healthy eating choices.

Mohave County Health Department

700 Beale St.
Kingman, AZ 86402
928-753-0714
Mailing Address: PO Box 7000
Kingman, AZ 86402

Family Planning Clinics, Environmental Health Programs, Mental Health Services, Nutrition Programs, Vaccination Programs, Woman, Infant and Children Program (WIC), Women's Health Programs.

Birth & Death Certificates, Vital Records, Flu & Pneumonia Shots, HIV & STD testing, Laboratory Services.

Peach Springs Health Center Indian Health Services

943 Hualapai Way
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-2900

The Peach Springs Health Center is a 40-hour ambulatory care facility that supplements the hospital's health care. General outpatient services, dental care and preventive services are provided by one physician and one physician's assistant. Services provided by the Indian Health Service (IHS) are meant exclusively for American Indians and Alaska Natives.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services

Dental

Just For Kids Dentistry

2401 Stockton Hill Rd # 1
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-718-7188

Kids Little Smiles

2202 Hualapai Mountain Rd
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-718-7645

Pediatric dental provider.

Health Services:

Mental Health

Hualapai Behavioral Health

488 Hualapai Way
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-2207

We provide counseling services to individuals and families in a variety of settings, including traditional in-office sessions (individual or group) and non-traditional environments such as homes, the Juvenile Detention Center, or Adult Jail. Program counselors also collaborate with schools, police, social services, and other referring agencies to offer support, coordinate placement in residential facilities, and ensure aftercare follow-up upon an individual's return to the community.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services:

Mental Health

Mohave Mental Health Children's Clinic

915 Airway Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-718-4800
www.mmhc-inc.org

Outpatient clinics offer a full array of behavioral health services to both children and adults. Services may include assessment, psychiatric interventions, therapy and counseling (provided in individual, family, and groups), medication, residential or inpatient programs, case management, vocational services, and living skills training. Other supportive services, such as peer support services, health promotion, and family support services are also offered, geared towards helping individuals and families develop additional self-awareness and specialized recovery skills to improve independent functioning and quality of life. All services are provided by qualified behavioral health staff and are driven by a service plan developed by the client and the client's child and family team or adult recovery team.

M.I.K.I.D. - Kingman

2615 E. Beverly Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-753-4354
www.mikid.org/

Provides support, education, and skill development to families and their children, youth, and young adults who are experiencing mental health and behavior changes.

Parent Support Circle Health Education and Wellness Department

488 Hualapai Way
Peach Springs, AZ.
928-769-2207

Covers topics like effective communication, family dynamics, cultural values, anger management, self-care, and more. Includes group discussion, problem-solving, and personal growth in a confidential, compassionate space. Lunch provided (first come, first served). A supportive community for parents to connect, reflect and grow together.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services:

Mental Health

Postpartum Support International Helpline

Call/Text in English: 1-800-944-4773
Text en Español: 971-203-7773
<https://postpartum.net/>

The HelpLine will provide you with support and resources. You will be asked to leave a confidential message and a trained and caring volunteer will return your call or text.

In an emergency or crisis situation, call or text 988.

In a non-emergency situation, call or text the HelpLine at 800-944-4773. You never need a diagnosis to ask for help.

Call or text the National #MaternalMentalHealth Hotline at 1-833-TLC-MAMA (1-833-852-6262)

Southwest Behavioral Health Outpatient Clinic

2215 Hualapai Mountain Rd. Ste H
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-9387
www.sbhservices.org

Services provided: Individual, Group and Family Counseling, Medication Services, Psychiatric Care, Skills Training, Case Management, Vocational Services, DUI Education, and DV Education.

Health Services:

Pediatrics

Family Practice Residency Clinic

3801 Santa Rosa Drive Ste #400
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-681-8701

KRMC's Family Practice Residency Clinic offers comprehensive medical care to people of all ages, from newborns to senior adults. Whether you're ill or simply in need of a check-up, our family medicine residents will provide you thorough, attentive medical care.

Joshua Tree Pediatrics

2202 Stockton Hill Rd. #100
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-681-8706

At Joshua Tree Pediatrics, our skilled pediatricians and support staff provide a full range of healthcare services for children 0-18. From routine health maintenance and preventative care-to diagnosing and treating complex medical problems, we are here to assure your child's maximum health and wellbeing at each stage in their development.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services:

FQHC

(Federally Qualified Health Centers are outpatient clinics that serve rural areas)

North Country Healthcare

Dr. Tiffany Russell
1510 Stockton Hill Rd.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-753-1177

North Country HealthCare's doctors and care providers are dedicated to providing primary care to you and your whole family. Our family practice offers walk-ins and same day appointments for routine and sick visits. We accept most insurance plans and offer affordable payment options for those who are uninsured or underinsured. Our low-cost options include a sliding fee scale discount program which is based on income and family size.

Kingman Family Walk-in Clinic Regional Center for Border Health

2302 Stockton Hill Rd. Suite G
Kingman, AZ 86401

Family Primary Care:

Immunizations, family planning services, woman and teens health, laboratory services, and chronic disease management.

Behavioral Health: Intake, assessments, referral services, children and adult services, substance abuse, evaluation and treatment, general mental health therapy, psychiatric health and medication management.

Libraries

Mohave County Library - Golden Valley

4901 Pay Roll Ave.
Chloride, AZ 86431
928-565-2200
Call for current hours

Library loans books, e-books, audio books, videotapes, CDs and DVDs.

Mohave County Library - Kingman

3269 N. Burbank St
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-692-2665

Services: Book loan, document copying services, faxing, public access computers, public internet access, family story time, after school fun for kids.

Mohave County Library - Valle Vista

7264 Concho Dr. Ste B
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-692-7662
Call for current hours

Library loans books, e-books, audio books, videotapes, CDs and DVDs.

Why Early Childhood Matters

From birth to age 5, a child's brain grows more than at any other time in life. And early brain development has a lasting impact on a child's ability to learn and succeed in school and life. The quality of a child's experiences in the first few years of life – positive or negative – helps shape how their brain develops.



90%

**of Brain Growth Happens
Before Kindergarten**

At birth, the average baby's brain is about a quarter of the size of the average adult brain. Incredibly, it doubles in size in the first year. It keeps growing to about 80% of adult size by age 3 and 90% – nearly full grown – by age 5.

The brain is the command center of the human body. A newborn baby has all of the brain cells (neurons) they'll have for the rest of their life, but it's the connections between these cells that really make the brain work. Brain connections enable us to move, think, communicate and do just about everything. The early childhood years are crucial for making these connections. At least one million new neural connections (synapses) are made every second, more than at any other time in life.

The early years are the best opportunity for a child's brain to develop the connections they need to be healthy, capable, successful adults. The connections needed for many important, higher-level abilities like motivation, self-regulation, problem solving and communication are formed in these early years – or not formed. It's much harder for these essential brain connections to be formed later in life.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Nutrition and Food Resources

Helping Other People Eat (H.O.P.E.)

Emergency Operations Center

1176 Mesa View Dr.
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-2080
928-769-0003

Provide families in need with food boxes. Available on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month drive-through service. Delivery is available for special circumstances except for distribution on Wednesdays.

Office hours are available Monday-Thursday, 7:30 am-5:30 pm.

Hualapai Education and Training Department

460 Hualapai Way
Peach Springs, AZ 86434
928-769-2200

Provide food boxes every fourth Thursday of the month at 9am.

Hualapai WIC Program

Hualapai Health Education and Wellness Department

488 Hualapai Way
Peach Springs, AZ.
928-769-2207

Supplemental healthy foods, nutrition education, and referrals to other health services, for Prenatal to 5 years of age qualify.

Kingman Area Food Bank

2930 E Butler Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86409
928-757-4165

Provides emergency food boxes once every 30 days if needed.

Salvation Army

1200 E. Andy Devine Ave.
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-718-2600

Provides food, clothing, and utility payment assistance to people in need.

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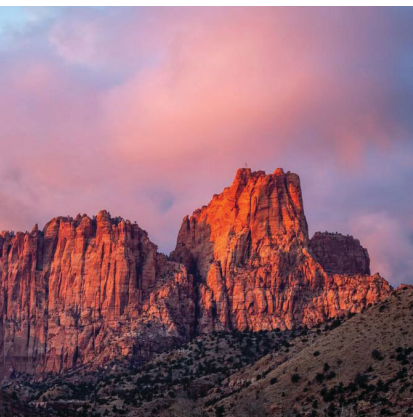




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Assistance Programs

Arizona Department of Economic Security (AZDES)

1057 Vista Ave.
Page, AZ 86040
928-645-8131
<https://des.az.gov/>

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928-753-6247

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CASA Council Helping Children of Mohave County/La Paz County

Beverly Siemens
Board President
530-632-5567
casasupport.org

CASA Council is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, which is a foundation that raises money to benefit the unmet needs of children in out-of-home care (foster care, relative placements, and In-Home Services).

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

Community Legal Services

2701 E. Andy Devine, Suite 400
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-681-1177
1-800-255-9031
TTY: Arizona Relay: 711
FAX: 928-681-5998
Email: infomoco@clsaz.org

* Applications for services in Mohave and La Paz Counties are completed via the Kingman office.

Community Legal Services (CLS) is dedicated to providing legal assistance, advice or representation, self-help materials and legal education so people can know their rights. We focus on helping survivors of domestic violence; assisting victims of consumer fraud and abuse, protecting tenants from unlawful/unfair practices by landlords, foreclosures, legal problems affecting agricultural workers, wage claims and other employment matters, and federal and state programs affecting peoples' health and economic stability.

Cherish Families

280 W. Township Ave.
Colorado City, AZ 86021
Amanda Knudson
928-875-0969
cherishfamilies.org/
aknudson@cherishfamilies.org
Cherish Families provides food, clothing, hygienic and other needs for individuals from polygamous families or people from communities who are in crisis. In addition, we work with clients to set up long term supports to help provide for basic needs while moving toward stabilization. For information on basic needs contact us here.

Salvation Army Family Services - St. George

803 S. Bluff St.
St. George, UT 84770
435-275-4975
Provides food, clothing, and utility payment assistance to people in need.

Social Security Office

1091 N Bluff St #1100
St. George, UT 84770
800-772-1213
Obtain social security cards, name change, social security benefits.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

Short Creek Dream Center

980 W. Field Ave.
Hilldale, UT 84784
435-619-4294

www.shortcreekdreamcenter.org/
konstance@shortcreekdreamcenter.org

The Short Creek Dream Center exists to serve the twin towns of Hilldale and Colorado City as they continue to grow, heal, and transform.

From transitional housing, recovery, community outreach and helping combat the effects of poverty, the Dream Center exists to help find and fill the needs of the Short Creek Community and beyond.

Birth to Five Resources:

Child Care Resources

Child Care Resource & Referral Child and Family Resources, Inc.

1-800-308-9000

www.azccrr.com

M-F 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM,

Sat 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Child Care Information Line:

1-800-308-9000

Child Care Resource & Referral, CCR&R, is a statewide program of Child & Family Resources, Inc. Funding is provided by the Arizona Department of Economic Security's Child Care Administration through federal Child Care Development Block Grant funds. Staff provides referrals to families including but not limited to: child care, financial assistance, housing/utility assistance. Staff also provides consumer education on the different types of childcare options in the state & how to make the best option for your child and family.

Birth to Five Resources:

Breastfeeding Resources

Arizona 24/7 Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-307-4231

La Leche League

1-877-452-5324

<https://lllusa.org/>

Pregnancy and Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-833-4642

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Birth to Five Resources:

Home Visitation

Child and Family Resources, Inc

60 Township Ave.
Colorado City, AZ 86021
928-753-4410
Cole Callen
CCallen@cfrz.org

Our free home visiting programs support expecting parents and families with young children. Families can enroll during pregnancy or after. Using evidence-based models like Parents as Teachers, Healthy Families, and Health Start visits focus on prenatal health, child development, school readiness, early literacy, and family resilience. Visits take place in your home, and all materials for learning activities are provided. Additional services include parent socials, car seat safety programs, and community resource referrals.

High Risk Perinatal Program Mohave County Department of Public Health

JoBeth Giovanardi
GiovaJ@mohave.gov
928-753-0714 ext. 4323

Provides free in-home community health nursing services to assist eligible families and their newborns during the transition from the Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU) to their home and community. The CHN provides support to the family by providing education and connections to community resources.

Eligibility: Infants who have spent five or more days in the NICU.

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(see page 23 for more information)

Family Support Coordination Root For Kids

St. George Office
2044 Mesa Palms Dr
St. George, UT 84770
435-673-5353
www.rootforkids.org

The Root For Kids Family Support Coordinator partners with families to assist with locating community support agencies that provide needed community services. The Family Support Coordinator completes the Protective Factors Survey with each family. During the survey, the Family Support Coordinator learns about the unique needs of each family, develops a service plan and provides information about the community resources that can address family's concerns. The Family Support Coordinator assists the family in following through with obtaining these resources to allow for success in achieving the goals of the service plan.

First Things First

602-908-4652

www.FirstThingsFirst.org

Local region covers Mohave and La Paz County

First Things First is Arizona's early childhood agency, with programs and resources to support great childhoods. By focusing on the first five years, we are making a difference in the lives of young children, their families and our communities. Quality early learning and child care are essential for stronger, healthier families and for the economic future of Arizona.

Lantern

(Formerly Bright By Text)

Text "ARIZONAPBS" to 274448
www.azpbs.org/kidstext

Lantern is a free program for parents and caregivers that sends tips and resources promoting child development, targeted to a child's age from prenatal to 11 years old, right to their cell phone.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Disabilities & Special Needs Resources

Disability Rights Arizona

disabilityrightsaz.org

Arizona Early Intervention Program (AZEIP)

A statewide system of services and supports for families of infants and toddlers, birth to three years of age, with delays or disabilities. AzEIP provides eligible children and their families access to services to support the child's development through in-home individualized parent education and support. AzEIP has service-providing agencies located in your area.

For more information or to make a referral, visit the website - bit.ly/3S6GK4l or make a referral by calling 888-592-0140

For questions or to check the status of the referral call 602-532-9960

Autism Courage Foundation

180 W. Wilkins St.
Colorado City, AZ 86021
435-691-3195
autismcouragefoundation.com/#/
autismcouragefoundation@gmail.com

We provide appropriate education and support to individuals of need. We maintain the highest standards of respect, privacy, care and empathy for delayed learners and their providers/caregivers. We network with community members to provide resources, guidance, educational scholarships and gifting that infuse individuals with Hope and Courage to build a fulfilled future.

Encircle Families

(Formerly Raising Special Kids)

5025 E. Washington St. Ste. 204
Phoenix, AZ 85034
602-242-4366
encirclefamilies.org

Encircle Families exists to improve the lives of children with the full range of disabilities, from birth to age 26, by providing support, training, information and individual assistance so families can become effective advocates for their children.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Early Intervention Information

What is Early Intervention?

Early Intervention is specialized support for infants and toddlers (birth to age 3) who have or may be at risk for developmental delays. It includes services like speech therapy, physical therapy and developmental support to help children reach important milestones.

Why is Early Intervention Important?

Early support can improve a child's growth, learning and future success. It helps children become more independent, improves school readiness and may reduce long-term therapy costs.

What Can I Do if I Have Concerns?

Talk to your child's pediatrician – Don't wait! Early action makes a difference.

Check developmental milestones – Use the CDC Milestone Tracker App (free on iOS & Android) or search CDC Milestone Checklist online.

Request a developmental screening – Ask your doctor or complete a free Ages & Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)
<https://www.firstthingsfirst.org/resources/ages-and-stages/>

Get an evaluation – See more info below.

How do I get my child evaluated?

If your child is Birth to Age 3:

Contact the Arizona Early Intervention Program where you can refer your child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



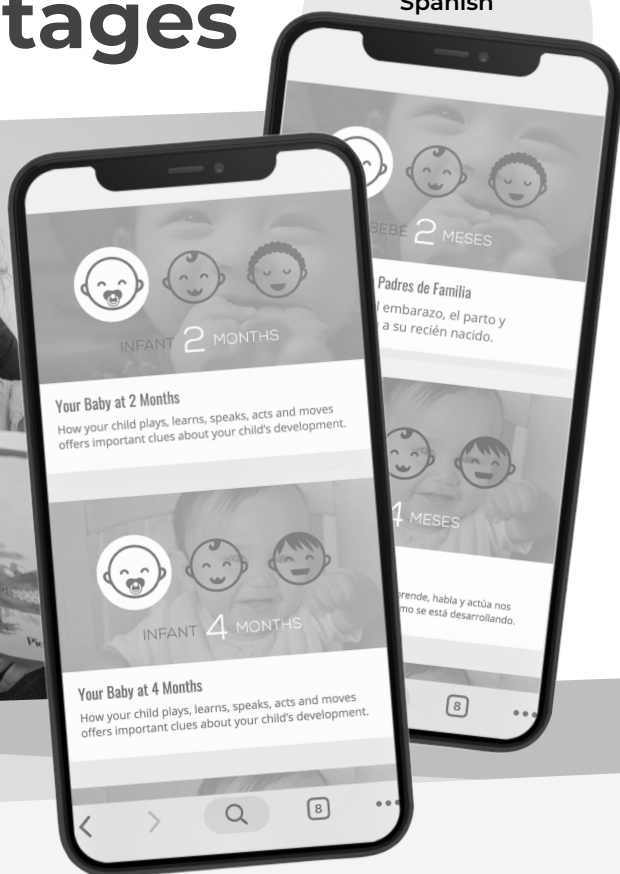
If your child is age 3 to 21:

Contact your local school district to learn about Child Find events or request an evaluation. With parent permission, a home visitor, child care provider, teacher or healthcare provider can also refer the child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



FIRST THINGS FIRST Ages & Stages

Available in
English and
Spanish



From the day your child is born, understanding how they play, learn, speak, act and move offers important clues about your child's development. While all children develop differently, it helps to know if your child is meeting typical milestones at different ages and stages and how you can support their healthy development. Understand what's happening at different stages of your child's life and how you can help them learn and grow.

VISIT FirstThingsFirst.org/AgesAndStages

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Education

Colorado City Unified School District

PO Box 309

Colorado City, AZ 86021

435-900-8001

928-875-8066

Serving families from Pre-K through 12th grade

Creekside Montessori School

520 W. Johnson Ave.

Colorado City, AZ 86021

928-614-1641

Margaret Williams

margaret@creeksideway.com

Creating a peaceful community of diverse, respectful, self-motivated, & independent learners.

Cottonwood Elementary & Cottonwood Developmental Preschool

185 East University Ave.

Colorado City, AZ 86021

928-875-9055

Early Childhood Special Education is a state and federally mandated program for children aged 3–5 who meet state eligibility criteria because they are experiencing developmental delays. School districts and other public agencies are responsible for locating, identifying, and evaluating eligible children and for offering a free appropriate public education (FAPE). Eligible children are entitled to a FAPE at no cost to the family with programming designed to help children meet challenging objectives alongside their typically developing peers. When a delay is suspected, or children are not meeting milestones, local school districts offer Child Find services, providing screening, and if needed, evaluation services to determine eligibility.

Accepts DES subsidy.

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Education

Masada Charter School Early Learning Center Sensory Rich Developmental Preschool

300 West Woolley, Bldg #B
PO Box 2277
Centennial Park, AZ 86021
928-875-2525
www.masadaschool.org

The vision of Masada Charter School is to 'Unleash the Learning Power of Students'. Our mission is to provide the opportunity for students to develop their learning skills and be motivated to use them continually in their lives through the close involvement of parents and the use of the most current learning technology. These means will lead to comprehensively, literate, self-fulfilled individuals who will benefit the community.

Water Canyon Preschool

250 Newell Ave.
Hildale, UT 84784
435-874-1182

Monday and Wednesday (Session 1)
3 yr olds Room A: 8:10-10:55
Tuesday and Thursday (Session 2)
3 yr olds Room A 8:10-10:55
Monday-Thursday (Session 1)
4 yr olds Room OEK 8:10-10:55
Monday-Thursday (Session 2)
4yr olds Room OEK 11:55-2:40

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Emergency/Non-Emergency

Arizona Department of Child Safety

1057 Vista Ave.
Page, AZ 86040
928-608-4245
Child Abuse Hotline
1-888-767-2445

AZ Statewide Crisis Line

1-844-534-4673 or 1-844-534-HOPE

Colorado City Fire Department

40 S. Pioneer St.
Colorado City, AZ 86021
Non-Emergency 928-875-2400
Emergency Dial 911
Emergency services.

Colorado City Police Department

50 N. Colvin St.
Colorado City, AZ 86021
Non-Emergency 928-875-9170
Emergency Dial 911
Emergency Service

Health Services

Heritage Midwifery

1065 N. Hildale St. #941
Hildale, UT 84784
P:435-256-8131
F. 435-256-8931
Helen Barlow
heritagecpm@gmail.com
453-256-8131

Midwives care for low risk pregnant women.

Hometown Wellness

1070 Hildale St.
Hildale, UT 84784
Thiel Cooke
435-216-5488

Hometown Wellness is a primary care facility serving a wide range of patients.

Mohave County Department of Public Health

2096 S. Hwy 389
Colorado City, AZ 86021
928-753-8675

Services provided include Free immunization clinics for Kids and Adults. The other services we offer are listed under the different programs.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services:

Mental Health

M.I.K.I.D.

928-753-4354

www.mikid.org/

Provides support, education, and skill development to families and their children, youth, and young adults who are experiencing mental health and behavior changes.

Postpartum Support International Helpline

Call/Text in English:

1-800-944-4773

Text en Español: 971-203-7773

<https://postpartum.net/>

The Helpline will provide you with support and resources. You will be asked to leave a confidential message and a trained and caring volunteer will return your call or text.

In an emergency or crisis situation, call or text 988.

In a non-emergency situation, call or text the Helpline at 800-944-4773. You never need a diagnosis to ask for help.

Call or text the National #MaternalMentalHealth Hotline at 1-833-TLC-MAMA (1-833-852-6262)

Health Services

FQHC

(Federally Qualified Health Centers are outpatient clinics that serve rural areas)

Creek Valley Health Clinic

20 S. Colvin St. #418

Colorado City, AZ 86021

P: 435-900-1104

F: 928-875-2499

Creek Valley Health Clinic offers a range of essential healthcare services designed to meet the diverse needs of our community.

Our primary care services cover routine medical care, ensuring that individuals receive thorough and precise attention to their general health needs.

We specialize in early childhood developmental screening, prioritizing the healthy growth and development of our youngest patients.

Recognizing the critical connection between physical and mental health, Creek Valley Health Clinic integrates behavioral health services seamlessly into our primary care setting. This approach allows us to provide a comprehensive and individualized healthcare experience, addressing a spectrum of health concerns. Whether it's routine check-ups or specialized services, Creek Valley Health Clinic is committed to promoting overall wellness and providing accessible, high-quality healthcare for our community.

Why Early Childhood Matters

From birth to age 5, a child's brain grows more than at any other time in life. And early brain development has a lasting impact on a child's ability to learn and succeed in school and life. The quality of a child's experiences in the first few years of life – positive or negative – helps shape how their brain develops.



90%

**of Brain Growth Happens
Before Kindergarten**

At birth, the average baby's brain is about a quarter of the size of the average adult brain. Incredibly, it doubles in size in the first year. It keeps growing to about 80% of adult size by age 3 and 90% – nearly full grown – by age 5.

The brain is the command center of the human body. A newborn baby has all of the brain cells (neurons) they'll have for the rest of their life, but it's the connections between these cells that really make the brain work. Brain connections enable us to move, think, communicate and do just about everything. The early childhood years are crucial for making these connections. At least one million new neural connections (synapses) are made every second, more than at any other time in life.

The early years are the best opportunity for a child's brain to develop the connections they need to be healthy, capable, successful adults. The connections needed for many important, higher-level abilities like motivation, self-regulation, problem solving and communication are formed in these early years – or not formed. It's much harder for these essential brain connections to be formed later in life.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Libraries

Washington County Library

440 E. Newel Ave.
Hildale, UT 84784
435-874-1341

The Hildale Public Library is dedicated to providing free & equal access to information and knowledge through books, programs, and collaboration with our diverse community. We believe in the freedom to read, to learn, and to discover in a safe environment.

Nutrition and Food Resources

Salvation Army Family Services - St. George

803 S. Bluff St.
St. George, UT
435-275-4975

Provides food, clothing, and utility payment assistance to people in need.

Colorado City WIC

2096 S HWY 389
Colorado City, AZ 86021
928-753-8675

Supplemental healthy foods, nutrition education, referrals to other health services Prenatal-5 years of age qualify.

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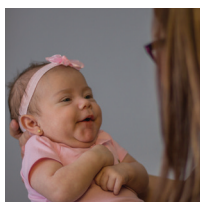
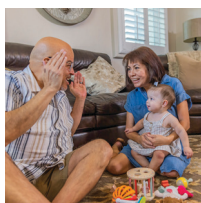
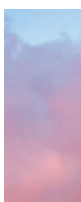
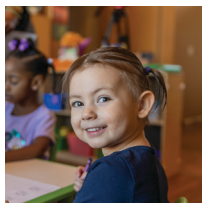
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Bullhead City Area Resource Guide

Servicing: Fort Mohave, Mohave Valley, Oatman and Topock

FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN BIRTH TO AGE 5



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Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-704-7776
<https://des.az.gov/>

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928-753-6247

Provides utility assistance. They offer other services ranging from weatherization of homes to cut energy cost to rental assistance on a case by case basis.

CASA Council Helping Children of Mohave County/La Paz County

Beverly Siemens
Board President
530-632-5567
casasupport.org

CASA Council is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, which is a foundation that raises money to benefit the unmet needs of children in out-of-home care (foster care, relative placements, and In-Home Services).

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

Community Legal Services

2701 E. Andy Devine, Suite 400
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-681-1177
1-800-255-9031
TTY: Arizona Relay: 711
FAX: 928-681-5998
Email: infomoco@clsaz.org

* Applications for services in Mohave and La Paz Counties are completed via the Kingman office.

Community Legal Services (CLS) is dedicated to providing legal assistance, advice or representation, self-help materials and legal education so people can know their rights. We focus on helping survivors of domestic violence; assisting victims of consumer fraud and abuse, protecting tenants from unlawful/unfair practices by landlords, foreclosures, legal problems affecting agricultural workers, wage claims and other employment matters, and federal and state programs affecting peoples' health and economic stability.

River Cities United Way

Main: 928-855-6333
Alt.: 928-683-4270

Helping Businesses and individuals with rent utilities, and various needs.

Social Security Office

1502 Bailey Ave.
Needles, CA 92363
800-772-1213

Obtain social security cards, name change, social security benefits.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

The River Fund- Bullhead City Office

1343 Hancock Road
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-704-0039

Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Services include, but are not limited to:

- Utility bills/deposits;
- Appliance repair/replacement;
- Disaster relief (partial or complete destruction of dwelling);
- Transportation/vehicle repairs;
- Rent and Mortgage payments;
- Medical bills (office visit co-pays, prescriptions, COBRA payments, transportation, medical equipment, and other medical-related issues or needs;
- Temporary housing;
- An unexpected loss of living expenses;
- Legal document replacement; and
- Other major hardships on a case-by-case basis.

WestCare Safe House

928-201-5136

WestCare Safe House is a domestic violence service near Bullhead City, AZ providing help for people dealing with domestic abuse.

Birth to Five Resources:

Breastfeeding Resources

Arizona 24/7 Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-307-4231

La Leche League

1-877-452-5324

<https://llusa.org/>

Pregnancy and Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-833-4642

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Birth to Five Resources:

Child Care Resources

Child Care Resource & Referral Child and Family Resources, Inc.

1-800-308-9000

www.azccrr.com

M-F 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM,

Sat 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Child Care Information Line:

1-800-308-9000

Child Care Resource & Referral, CCR&R, is a statewide program of Child & Family Resources, Inc. Funding is provided by the Arizona Department of Economic Security's Child Care Administration through federal Child Care Development Block Grant funds. Staff provides referrals to families including but not limited to: child care, financial assistance, housing/utility assistance. Staff also provides consumer education on the different types of childcare options in the state & how to make the best option for your child and family.

Birth to Five Resources:

Home Visitation

Child and Family Resources, Inc

1355 Ramar Rd. Ste 10

Bullhead City, AZ 86442

928-753-4410

Cole Callen

CCallen@cfraz.org

Our free home visiting programs support expecting parents and families with young children. Families can enroll during pregnancy or after. Using evidence-based models like Parents as Teachers, Healthy Families, and Health Start visits focus on prenatal health, child development, school readiness, early literacy, and family resilience. Visits take place in your home, and all materials for learning activities are provided. Additional services include parent socials, car seat safety programs, and community resource referrals.

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Birth to Five Resources:

Home Visitation

High Risk Perinatal Program Mohave County Department of Public Health

1222 Hancock Road
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
JoBeth Giovanardi GiovaJ@
mohave.gov
928-753-0714 ext. 4323

Provides free in-home community health nursing services to assist eligible families and their newborns during the transition from the Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU) to their home and community. The CHN provides support to the family by providing education and connections to community resources.

Eligibility: Infants who have spent five or more days in the NICU.

Birth to Five Resources:

Other

Birth to Five Helpline

1-877-705-KIDS (5437)

The Birth to Five Helpline is a free service available to all Arizona families with young children, as well as parents-to-be, with questions about their infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

(see page 27 for more information)

Bullhead City Lion's Club

928-514-5062

Janis Young

Bullhead City Lions Club serves the areas of Bullhead City, Fort Mohave, Mohave Valley, Topock, AZ; Laughlin, NV, Needles, CA with eye exams and glasses. The club also provides vision screening for children 2 yrs to 14 years of age in all the public, private & charter schools. We often will vision screen at local health fairs to address any need for homeschooled children.

Lantern

(Formerly Bright By Text)

Text "ARIZONAPBS" to 274448

www.azpbs.org/kidstext

Lantern is a free program for parents and caregivers that sends tips and resources promoting child development, targeted to a child's age from prenatal to 11 years old, right to their cell phone.

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Birth to Five Resources:

Other

Family Support Coordination Parenting Arizona

928-440-6782

Chicanos Por La Causa/Parenting Arizona's Family Support Coordination program supports families with children age birth to 5. Our goal is to assist them in understanding, accessing, and navigating services that promote family well-being by engaging families and connecting them with community resources. Family Support Coordinators provide guidance, advocacy, and coordination throughout the process. Our aim is to refer families to timely and essential services, fostering family well-being and self-sufficiency.

First Things First

602-908-4652

www.FirstThingsFirst.org

Local region covers Mohave and La Paz County

First Things First is Arizona's early childhood agency, with programs and resources to support great childhoods. By focusing on the first five years, we are making a difference in the lives of young children, their families and our communities. Quality early learning and child care are essential for stronger, healthier families and for the economic future of Arizona.

Child Care Centers

Bullhead City School District (BCSD) #15 - Early Learning Center

1820 Lakeside Dr.

Bullhead City, AZ 86442

928-758-4909

Child care center serving children birth to the age of five. Accepts DES subsidy.

Discovery Learning Center and Child Care

1895 Lakeside Dr.

Bullhead City, AZ 86442

928-763-3290

Child Care Center accepting children 1 to 12. Accepts DES subsidy.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Child Care Centers

Little Scooters Preschool

2750 Miracle Mile Blvd.
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-234-4934
Open 6am.-6pm.

Provide childcare services to families with children ages birth-12 years old. Accepts DES subsidy.

Little Treasures

1373 Baseline Rd,
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-3151

Newborn through 12. Accepts DES

New Day School

1837 Joy Ln.
Fort Mohave, AZ 86426
928-768-6465
Open 6am.-6pm. Closed Sat. & Sun.

Providing preschool services to families with children ages 2-5 years old. Accepts DES subsidy.

New Day School Bullhead

1380 Riverview Dr
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-763-1115

Child Care center taking children 1 to 12 years of age. Accepts DES subsidy.

Stepping Stones Preschool

863 Airpark Dr.
Bullhead City, AZ 86429
928-754-2221
Ages 0-12 Years
Open 5 a.m.-12a.m. Full time / Drop In

Site offers daycare, early learning and extended childcare services for children. Individual learning styles and growth paces are supported to ensure proper stimulation for development. Theme-based curriculum includes arts & crafts, dramatic play, games, sensory exploration and outdoor time. Learning centers encourage hands-on experimentation. Accepts DES subsidy.

Tiny T Birds @Mohave High School

2251 HW-95
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-3916

Serving families with children ages 1 to 5 years old. Accepts DES subsidy.

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Disabilities & Special Needs Resources

Disability Rights Arizona

disabilityrightsaz.org

Arizona Early Intervention Program (AZEIP)

Root For Kids

A statewide system of services and supports for families of infants and toddlers, birth to three years of age, with delays or disabilities. AzEIP provides eligible children and their families access to services to support the child's development through in-home individualized parent education and support. AzEIP has service-providing agencies located in your area.

For more information or to make a referral, visit the website - bit.ly/3S6GK4l or make a referral by calling 888-592-0140

For questions or to check the status of the referral call 602-532-9960

Encircle Families

(Formerly Raising Special Kids)

5025 E. Washington St. Ste. 204
Phoenix, AZ 85034
encirclefamilies.org
602-242-4366

Encircle Families exists to improve the lives of children with the full range of disabilities, from birth to age 26, by providing support, training, information and individual assistance so families can become effective advocates for wtheir children.

Essential Therapy Solutions

2020 Silver Creek Dr, Ste. D102
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
480-677-3349
<https://www.etherapyaz.com>

Essential Therapy Solutions offers various services and programs in both home and clinic settings. Essential Therapy Solutions contracts with AzEIP to help children birth to 3 years of age and with the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) for children and some adults 3+ years. We also accept families with insurance as well as cash pay. The services we provide are Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Feeding Therapy, Service Coordination, Developmental Instruction and Telehealth.

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Early Intervention Information

What is Early Intervention?

Early Intervention is specialized support for infants and toddlers (birth to age 3) who have or may be at risk for developmental delays. It includes services like speech therapy, physical therapy and developmental support to help children reach important milestones.

Why is Early Intervention Important?

Early support can improve a child's growth, learning and future success. It helps children become more independent, improves school readiness and may reduce long-term therapy costs.

What Can I Do if I Have Concerns?

Talk to your child's pediatrician – Don't wait! Early action makes a difference.

Check developmental milestones – Use the CDC Milestone Tracker App (free on iOS & Android) or search CDC Milestone Checklist online.

Request a developmental screening – Ask your doctor or complete a free Ages & Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)
<https://www.firstthingsfirst.org/resources/ages-and-stages/>

Get an evaluation – See more info below.

How do I get my child evaluated?

If your child is Birth to Age 3:

Contact the Arizona Early Intervention Program where you can refer your child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



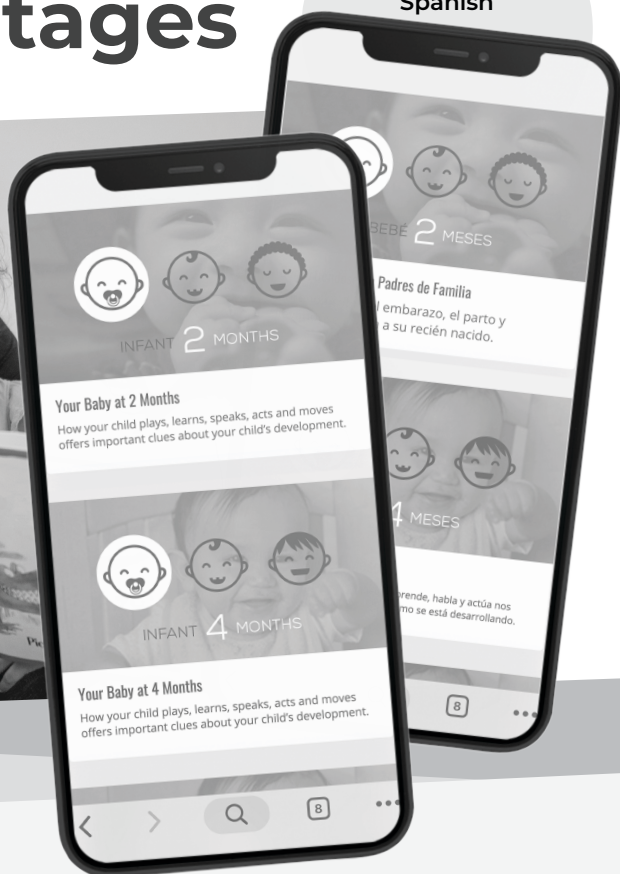
If your child is age 3 to 21:

Contact your local school district to learn about Child Find events or request an evaluation. With parent permission, a home visitor, child care provider, teacher or healthcare provider can also refer the child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



FIRST THINGS FIRST Ages & Stages

Available in
English and
Spanish



From the day your child is born, understanding how they play, learn, speak, act and move offers important clues about your child's development. While all children develop differently, it helps to know if your child is meeting typical milestones at different ages and stages and how you can support their healthy development. Understand what's happening at different stages of your child's life and how you can help them learn and grow.

VISIT FirstThingsFirst.org/AgesAndStages

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Education

Bullhead City School District #15

1004 Hancock Rd. STE 101
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-3691

Bullhead City School District is home to three elementary schools, one middle school, one junior high, and a dedicated preschool-and-alternative-education program. We serve approximately 2500 students, from preschool through eighth grade, and offer programs designed specifically for students with gifted or special needs. Please take some time to browse these pages to learn more about our incredible schools and programs. Serves preschool-8th Grade.

Desert Star Academy

5599 HWY 95
Bullhead City, AZ 86426
928-788-3987

Providing preschool services for families with children 3-12 years old. Open at 8am.-5pm.

Diamondback Elementary/Preschool

2550 Tesota Way
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-6858

Preschool taking 4 year olds. Program is at no cost to families that qualify for a Title 1 Grant.

Coyote Canyon Early Childhood Special Education

1820 Lakeside Dr.
Bullhead City AZ 86442
928-758-8858

Early Childhood Special Education is a state and federally mandated program for children aged 3-5 who meet state eligibility criteria because they are experiencing developmental delays. School districts and other public agencies are responsible for locating, identifying, and evaluating eligible children and for offering a free appropriate public education (FAPE). Eligible children are entitled to a FAPE at no cost to the family with programming designed to help children meet challenging objectives alongside their typically developing peers. When a delay is suspected, or children are not meeting milestones, local school districts offer Child Find services, providing screening, and if needed, evaluation services to determine eligibility.

Accepts DES subsidy.

Fort Mojave Elementary

1760 Joy Ln
Fort Mohave, AZ 86426
928-769-3986

Preschool serving ages 3 to 5 years.

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Education

Mohave Accelerated Learning Center/Preschool

625 Marina Blvd
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-704-9345

The school serves children kindergarten through age 12 with a rigorous and accelerated academic program designed to prepare them for college and career success, the school proudly features an on-campus preschool for 4- and 5-year-olds.

Mohave Valley School District

8450 S. Olive Ave.
Mohave Valley, AZ 86440
928-768-2507
info@mvdistrict.net

Comprised of Fort Mojave Elementary (serving students in grades PK-2), Camp Mohave Elementary (serving students in grades 3-5), and Mohave Valley Junior High (serving students in grades 6-8), the Mohave Valley School District serves about 1,200 students. Students have access to a wide variety of services and activities, including special education services, after-school extra-curricular and intramural sports programs, and access to updated technology in every classroom on all three campuses.

Sunrise Elementary/Preschool

2645 Landon Dr.
Bullhead City, AZ 86429
928-219-3004

Preschool serving ages 3 to 5 years.

Topock Elementary School District/Preschool

5083 Tule Dr.
Topock, AZ 86436
928-768-3344

Serving Families Pre-k through 6th grade. Preschool accepts children ages 3 to 5 years old.

Little Scooters Preschool

2750 Miracle Mile Blvd.
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-234-4934
Open 6am.-6pm.

Provides preschool services to families with children ages 3-5 years old. Accepts DES subsidy.

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Education

WACOG Head Start Bullhead City

1055 Marina Blvd.
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-3334

Center based early childhood development program. Eligibility Requirements: Income guidelines and age (3 & 4 years old by August 31). Priority to children with disabilities, homeless, foster children, lowest income.

WACOG Head Start Mohave Valley

1425 E. Willow Dr.
Mohave Valley, AZ 86440
928-768-1090

Center based early childhood development program. Eligibility Requirements: Income guidelines and age (3 & 4 years old by August 31). Priority to children with disabilities, homeless, foster children, lowest income.

Young Scholars Academy

1501 Valencia Rd.
Bullhead City, AZ 86426
928-704-1100
Open 8a.m.-4p.m.

Provides services to families with children 3-12 years old.

Emergency/Non-Emergency

Arizona Department of Child Safety

2440 Adobe Rd. Ste. 110
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-704-5880

Child Abuse Hotline
1-888-767-2445

AZ Statewide Crisis Line

1-844-534-4673 or 1-844-534-HOPE

Bullhead City Fire Department Administration Office Station #1

1260 Hancock Rd.
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-3971
Non-emergency Dispatch
928-763-1999

Emergency Services.

Car seat classes. Call for more information.

Bullhead City Police Department

1255 Marina Blvd.
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-763-9200
Non-Emergency Dispatch
928-763-1999
Non-emergency Dispatch
Emergency Services.

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Emergency/Non-Emergency

Golden Shores Fire Department

12950 Oatman-Topock Hwy,
Topock, AZ 86436
928-768-4546
Emergency services.

Mohave County Sheriff's Office

9880 Vanderslice Rd.
Mohave Valley, AZ 86440
928-768-7055
The Sheriff's office duty is to serve the Civil Processes and legal documents originating from Arizona Superior Courts, Justice Courts; attorneys, private individuals and out of state entities needing service in Mohave County. Seventy-five members of the Sheriff's office assist the Sheriff by carrying out search and rescue missions and other duties.

Health Services

Mohave County Health Department

1222 Hancock Road
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-0722
Family Planning Clinics, Environmental Health Programs, Mental Health Services, Nutrition Programs, Vaccination Programs, Woman, Infant and Children Program (WIC), Women's Health Programs.
Birth & Death Certificates, Vital Records, Flu & Pneumonia Shots, HIV & STD testing, Laboratory Services.

Health Services

Dental

Just 4 Kids Dentistry

2580 AZ-95 #101
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-9464
Pediatric dental provider.

Wild West Kids Dental

2401 Miracle Mile
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-704-5573
Pediatric dental provider.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services:

Mental Health

Mohave Mental Health Children's Clinic

2580 HWY 95 Suite 209
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-757-8111
www.mmhc-inc.org

Outpatient clinics provide children with behavioral health services including assessment, therapy, counseling, and medication support. Services may also include case management, family support, and skill-building, guided by a care plan developed with the child and family.

Southwest Behavioral Health Outpatient Clinic

2580 HWY 95 Suite 119
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-763-7776
www.sbhservices.org
Mon-Fri 8am-7pm

Services provided: Individual, Group and Family Counseling, Medication Services, Psychiatric Care, Skills Training, Case Management, Vocational Services, DUI Education, and DV Education.

M.I.K.I.D. - Bullhead

810 Gemstone Ave.
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-753-4354
bullhead@mikid.org
<https://www.mikid.org/>

Provides support, education, and skill development to families and their children, youth, and young adults who are experiencing mental health and behavior changes.

Eligibility: AHCCCS, Mercy Care, Care First or other State insurance.

Postpartum Support International Helpline

Call/Text in English:
1-800-944-4773
Text en Español: 971-203-7773
<https://postpartum.net/>

The Helpline will provide you with support and resources. You will be asked to leave a confidential message and a trained and caring volunteer will return your call or text.

In an emergency or crisis situation, call or text 988.

In a non-emergency situation, call or text the Helpline at 800-944-4773. You never need a diagnosis to ask for help.

Call or text the National #MaternalMentalHealth Hotline at 1-833-TLC-MAMA (1-833-852-6262)

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Health Services:

Pediatrics

Children’s Medical Center

Dr. Naila Tariq
1225 Hancock Road #B
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-0183
Pediatric Services.

Colorado River Pediatrics

Dr. Barton
NP Theresa Marin
1611 Joy Lane #2
Fort Mohave, AZ 86426
928-788-8000
Pediatric Services.

Health Services:

Pediatrics

TLC Health Services LLC

Joie Tedder APRN, FNP-C Joie Tedder
APRN, FNP-C
1225 Hancock Road
Building C-Suite 302
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-440-6995
Pediatric Services.

Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday
Pediatric Services.

Health Services:

FQHC

*(Federally Qualified Health Centers are
outpatient clinics that serve rural areas)*

North Country Healthcare

2585 Miracle Mile Ste. 116
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-704-1221

Provides family practice clinic,
well-woman exams, well-baby
checkups, immunizations and
referrals to necessary specialists.

Why Early Childhood Matters

From birth to age 5, a child's brain grows more than at any other time in life. And early brain development has a lasting impact on a child's ability to learn and succeed in school and life. The quality of a child's experiences in the first few years of life – positive or negative – helps shape how their brain develops.



90%

**of Brain Growth Happens
Before Kindergarten**

At birth, the average baby's brain is about a quarter of the size of the average adult brain. Incredibly, it doubles in size in the first year. It keeps growing to about 80% of adult size by age 3 and 90% – nearly full grown – by age 5.

The brain is the command center of the human body. A newborn baby has all of the brain cells (neurons) they'll have for the rest of their life, but it's the connections between these cells that really make the brain work. Brain connections enable us to move, think, communicate and do just about everything. The early childhood years are crucial for making these connections. At least one million new neural connections (synapses) are made every second, more than at any other time in life.

The early years are the best opportunity for a child's brain to develop the connections they need to be healthy, capable, successful adults. The connections needed for many important, higher-level abilities like motivation, self-regulation, problem solving and communication are formed in these early years – or not formed. It's much harder for these essential brain connections to be formed later in life.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Libraries

Mohave County Library- Bullhead

1170 Hancock Rd.
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-0714
Open 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Monday-Saturday

Mohave County Library- Ft. Mohave

5902 AZ-95 #102
Fort Mohave, AZ 85426
928-768-1151
Open 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday-Saturday

Mohave County Library- Golden Shores/Topock Community

13136 S. Golden Shores Parkway
Topock, AZ 86436
928-768-2235
Open Tues, Thurs, Sat
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Open Wednesdays
2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Library loans books, e-books, audio
books, videotapes, CDs and DVDs.

Nutrition and Food Resources

Bullhead City Food Bank

590 Hancock Rd.
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-7717 (behind church)
Provides emergency food boxes
and clothes to families in need.

Salvation Army Family Services

1461 Palma Rd.
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-3141
Provides food boxes and baby
formula to people in need in the
Bullhead City, AZ and Laughlin, NV
area.

WIC Program Mohave County Department of Public Health

1222 Hancock Road
Bullhead City, AZ 86442
928-758-0722
Supplemental healthy foods,
nutrition education, referrals to
health services Prenatal-5 years of
age qualify.

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www.swhd.org

"Nothing Out of the Question"
"Toda Pregunta es Buena"

1-877-705-KIDS (5437)

Call the Helpline to speak with an early childhood specialist, on duty Mon-Fri. 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Birth to Five Helpline is a free service available to all Arizona families with young children, as well as parents-to-be, with questions about their infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

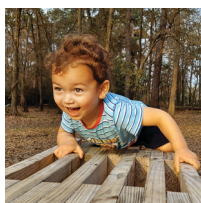
Topics addressed include but not limited to:

- Sleep
- Health and Nutrition
- Safety
- Challenging Behaviors
- Feeding and Eating
- General Child Development
- Potty Training/Learning
- Fussiness/Colic
- Parenting

An extension of the Birth to Five Helpline is the Fussy Baby program. This program provides telephone, home visiting and virtual video consultation and support to help families navigate challenges associated with hard-to-soothe infants, excessive crying, sleeping problems and feeding difficulties during their child's first year of life.

Download the Birth to Five Helpline app!

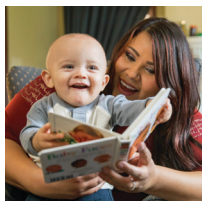




FIRST THINGS FIRST

Beaver Dam/ Littlefield/Scenic Resource Guide

FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN BIRTH TO AGE 5



2026-2027

 FIRST THINGS FIRST

About First Things First

Approved by Arizona voters, First Things First (FTF) works to ensure that your youngest children have access to quality early childhood experiences so they will start school healthy and ready to succeed. Across the state, FTF Regional Partnerships Councils — in collaboration with local leaders — identify the education and health needs of children birth through age 5 in their communities and fund strategies to address those needs.

Phone: 602-908-4652

Website: www.FirstThingsFirst.org
FirstThingsFirst.org/Regions/La-Paz-Mohave/



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Assistance Programs

APS Crisis Bill Assistance Program WACOG

928-753-6247

Provides utility assistance. They offer other services ranging from weatherization of homes to cut energy cost to rental assistance on a case by case basis.

Arizona Department of Economic Security (AZDES)

1057 Vista Ave.

Page, AZ 86040

928-645-8131

<https://des.az.gov/>

Basic Needs: Adult Protective Services, Food Assistance, Medical Assistance (www.healthearizonaplus.gov), Refugee Resettlement, Shelter and Housing

Child and Family: Cash Assistance, Child Care, Child Support Services, Community Resources

Disabilities: Developmental Disabilities, Early Intervention, Achieving a better life experience

Employment: Job Seekers, Reentry Services, Employer Resources, Apprenticeship, Unemployment-Employer, Senior Community Service Program, Veterans, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Eligible Training Provider List

Arizona Department of Economic Security (AZDES)

Older Adults: Home and Community Based Services, Healthy Living, Medicare Assistance, Legal Services Assistance, Family Caregiver Support, LongTerm Care Ombudsman, Aging Publications, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Conference

CASA Council Helping Children of Mohave County/La Paz County

Beverly Siemens

Board President

530-632-5567

casasupport.org

CASA Council is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, which is a foundation that raises money to benefit the unmet needs of children in out-of-home care (foster care, relative placements, and In-Home Services).

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Assistance Programs

Community Legal Services

2701 E. Andy Devine, Suite 400
Kingman, AZ 86401
928-681-1177
1-800-255-9031
TTY: Arizona Relay: 711
FAX: 928-681-5998
Email: infomoco@clsaz.org

* Applications for services in Mohave and La Paz Counties are completed via the Kingman office.

Community Legal Services (CLS) is dedicated to providing legal assistance, advice or representation, self-help materials and legal education so people can know their rights. We focus on helping survivors of domestic violence; assisting victims of consumer fraud and abuse, protecting tenants from unlawful/unfair practices by landlords, foreclosures, legal problems affecting agricultural workers, wage claims and other employment matters, and federal and state programs affecting peoples' health and economic stability.

Salvation Army Family Services

742 Pioneer Blvd.
Mesquite, NV 89027
1-800-SAL-ARMY

Provides rent payment assistance, electric and water utility bill payment assistance, food boxes, sack lunches and personal hygiene items.

Social Security Office

1091 N Bluff St #1100
St. George, UT 84770
800-772-1213

Obtain social security cards, name change, social security benefits.

Birth to Five Resources:

Breastfeeding Resources

Arizona 24/7 Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-307-4231

La Leche League

1-877-452-5324
<https://llusa.org/>

Pregnancy and Breastfeeding Hotline

1-800-833-4642

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Birth to Five Resources:

Child Care Resources

Child Care Resource & Referral Child and Family Resources, Inc.

1-800-308-9000

www.azccrr.com

M-F 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM,

Sat 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Child Care Information Line:

1-800-308-9000

Child Care Resource & Referral, CCR&R, is a statewide program of Child & Family Resources, Inc. Funding is provided by the Arizona Department of Economic Security's Child Care Administration through federal Child Care Development Block Grant funds. Staff provides referrals to families including but not limited to: child care, financial assistance and housing/utility assistance. Staff also provides consumer education on the different types of childcare options in the state & how to make the best option for your child and family.

Birth to Five Resources:

Home Visitation

High Risk Perinatal Program Mohave County Department of Public Health

JoBeth Giovanardi

GiovaJ@mohave.gov

928-753-0714 ext. 4323

Provides free in-home community health nursing services to assist eligible families and their newborns during the transition from the Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU) to their home and community. The CHN provides support to the family by providing education and connections to community resources.

Eligibility: Infants who have spent five or more days in the NICU.

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Birth to Five Resources:

Home Visitation

Child and Family Resources, Inc

Cole Callen
CCallen@cfranz.org
928-753-4410

Our free home visiting programs support expecting parents and families with young children. Families can enroll during pregnancy or after. Using evidence-based models like Parents as Teachers, Healthy Families, and Health Start visits focus on prenatal health, child development, school readiness, early literacy, and family resilience. Visits take place in your home, and all materials for learning activities are provided. Additional services include parent socials, car seat safety programs, and community resource referrals.

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Birth to Five Resources:

Other

Birth to Five Helpline

1-877-705-KIDS (5437)

The Birth to Five Helpline is a free service available to all Arizona families with young children, as well as parents-to-be, with questions about their infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

(see page 19 for more information)

Family Support Coordination Root For Kids

2044 Mesa Palms Dr,
St. George, UT 84770
435-673-5353

The Root For Kids Family Support Coordinator partners with families to assist with locating community support agencies that provide needed community services.

The Family Support Coordinator completes the Protective Factors Survey with each family. During the survey, the Family Support Coordinator learns about the unique needs of each family, develops a service plan and provides information about the community resources that can address family's concerns. The Family Support Coordinator assists the family in following through with obtaining these resources to allow for success in achieving the goals of the service plan.

First Things First

602-908-4652

www.FirstThingsFirst.org

Local region covers Mohave and La Paz County

First Things First is Arizona's early childhood agency, with programs and resources to support great childhoods. By focusing on the first five years, we are making a difference in the lives of young children, their families and our communities. Quality early learning and child care are essential for stronger, healthier families and for the economic future of Arizona.

Lantern

(Formerly Bright By Text)

Text "ARIZONAPBS" to 274448

www.azpbs.org/kidstext

Lantern is a free program for parents and caregivers that sends tips and resources promoting child development, targeted to a child's age from prenatal to 11 years old, right to their cell phone.

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Disabilities & Special Needs Resources

Disability Rights Arizona

disabilityrightsaz.org

Arizona Early Intervention Program (AZEIP)

Root For Kids

A statewide system of services and supports for families of infants and toddlers, birth to three years of age, with delays or disabilities. AZEIP provides eligible children and their families access to services to support the child's development through in-home individualized parent education and support. AZEIP has service-providing agencies located in your area. For more information or to make a referral, visit the website - bit.ly/3S6GK4l or make a referral by calling 888-592-0140. For questions or to check the status of the referral call 602-532-9960

Encircle Families

(Formerly Raising Special Kids)

5025 E. Washington St. Ste. 204
Phoenix, AZ 85034
encirclefamilies.org
602-242-4366

Encircle Families exists to improve the lives of children with the full range of disabilities, from birth to age 26, by providing support, training, information and individual assistance so families can become effective advocates for their children.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

Early Intervention Information

What is Early Intervention?

Early Intervention is specialized support for infants and toddlers (birth to age 3) who have or may be at risk for developmental delays. It includes services like speech therapy, physical therapy and developmental support to help children reach important milestones.

Why is Early Intervention Important?

Early support can improve a child's growth, learning and future success. It helps children become more independent, improves school readiness and may reduce long-term therapy costs.

What Can I Do if I Have Concerns?

Talk to your child's pediatrician – Don't wait! Early action makes a difference.

Check developmental milestones – Use the CDC Milestone Tracker App (free on iOS & Android) or search CDC Milestone Checklist online.

Request a developmental screening – Ask your doctor or complete a free Ages & Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)
<https://www.firstthingsfirst.org/resources/ages-and-stages/>

Get an evaluation – See more info below.

How do I get my child evaluated?

If your child is Birth to Age 3:

Contact the Arizona Early Intervention Program where you can refer your child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



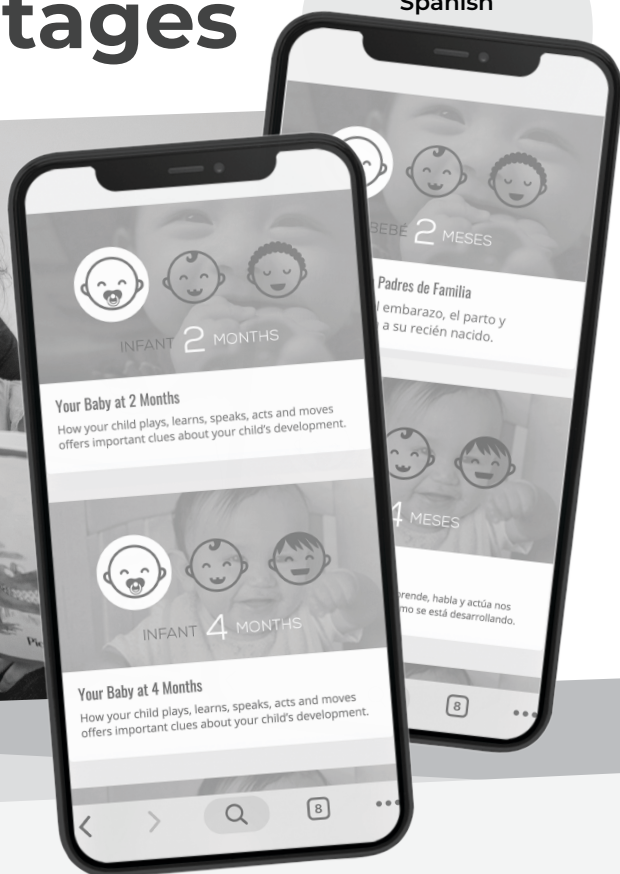
If your child is age 3 to 21:

Contact your local school district to learn about Child Find events or request an evaluation. With parent permission, a home visitor, child care provider, teacher or healthcare provider can also refer the child for evaluation. Scan the QR Code for more information.



FIRST THINGS FIRST Ages & Stages

Available in
English and
Spanish



From the day your child is born, understanding how they play, learn, speak, act and move offers important clues about your child's development. While all children develop differently, it helps to know if your child is meeting typical milestones at different ages and stages and how you can support their healthy development. Understand what's happening at different stages of your child's life and how you can help them learn and grow.

VISIT FirstThingsFirst.org/AgesAndStages

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Education

Beaver Dam Elementary/ Beaver Dam Preschool

PO Box 730
3436 E. Rio Virgin Rd.
Beaver Dam, AZ 86432
928-418-2001
Pre-K through 12th grade.
Preschool is a Quality First star
rated site.

Littlefield/Beaver Dam School District

PO Box 730
3490 E. Rio Virgin Rd.
Beaver Dam, AZ 86432
928-418-2003
Serving families Pre-K through 12th
grade.

Emergency/Non-Emergency

Arizona Department of Child Safety

1057 Vista Ave.
Page, AZ 86040
928-608-4245
Child Abuse Hotline
1-888-767-2445

AZ Statewide Crisis Line

1-844-534-4673 or 1-844-534-HOPE

Beaver Dam/Littlefield Fire District

630 North HWY 91
Littlefield, AZ 86432
Non-Emergency 928-347-5114
Emergency Dial 911
Emergency services.

Beaver Dam Police Department

920-887-0791 ext. 11
Dispatch: 920-386-3726 ext 8

Mohave County Sheriff's Office

700 County Highway 91
Littlefield, AZ 86432
Non-Emergency
928-347-4900
Emergency Services.

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Health Services

Mohave County Department of Public Health

20 S. Colvin St.
Colorado City, AZ 86021
928-875-8960

Services provided include Free immunization clinics for Kids and Adults. The other services we offer are listed under the different programs.

Health Services:

Mental Health

M.I.K.I.D.

928-753-4354
www.mikid.org/

Provides support, education and skill development to families and their children, youth and young adults who are experiencing mental health and behavior changes.

Postpartum Support International Helpline

1-800-944-4773
Text in English: 800-944-4773
Text en Español: 971-203-7773
<https://postpartum.net/>

The HelpLine will provide you with support and resources. You will be asked to leave a confidential message and a trained and caring volunteer will return your call or text.

In an emergency or crisis situation, call or text 988.

In a non-emergency situation, call or text the HelpLine at 800-944-4773. You never need a diagnosis to ask for help.

Call or text the National #MaternalMentalHealth Hotline at 1-833-TLC-MAMA (1-833-852-6262)

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Health Services:

Pediatrics

Canyonlands HealthCare

3272 E. Rio Virgin Rd.
Littlefield, AZ 86432
928-347-5971

Medical Hours Mon.-Fri. 7:30-6:00
Dental Hours Mon.-Thurs. 8:00-5:00
Closed for lunch 12:30-1:30,
Closed Friday

Nutrition and Food Resources

Desert Rose Community Food Bank

633-643 Pioneer Rd.
Littlefield, AZ 86432
928-347-5141

Provide food boxes to families in need.

Salvation Army Family Services

742 Pioneer Blvd.
Mesquite, NV 89027
1-800-SAL-ARMY

Provides rent payment assistance, electric and water utility bill payment assistance, food boxes, sack lunches and personal hygiene items.

WIC Program Mohave County Department of Public Health

Sunrise Children Foundation
355 W Mesquite Blvd suite d-15
Mesquite, NV 89027
702-346-3030

Supplemental healthy foods, nutrition education, referrals to other health services Prenatal-5 years of age qualify.

Why Early Childhood Matters

From birth to age 5, a child's brain grows more than at any other time in life. And early brain development has a lasting impact on a child's ability to learn and succeed in school and life. The quality of a child's experiences in the first few years of life – positive or negative – helps shape how their brain develops.



90%

**of Brain Growth Happens
Before Kindergarten**

At birth, the average baby's brain is about a quarter of the size of the average adult brain. Incredibly, it doubles in size in the first year. It keeps growing to about 80% of adult size by age 3 and 90% – nearly full grown – by age 5.

The brain is the command center of the human body. A newborn baby has all of the brain cells (neurons) they'll have for the rest of their life, but it's the connections between these cells that really make the brain work. Brain connections enable us to move, think, communicate and do just about everything. The early childhood years are crucial for making these connections. At least one million new neural connections (synapses) are made every second, more than at any other time in life.

The early years are the best opportunity for a child's brain to develop the connections they need to be healthy, capable, successful adults. The connections needed for many important, higher-level abilities like motivation, self-regulation, problem solving and communication are formed in these early years – or not formed. It's much harder for these essential brain connections to be formed later in life.

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www.swhd.org

"Nothing Out of the Question"
"Toda Pregunta es Buena"

1-877-705-KIDS (5437)

Call the Helpline to speak with an early childhood specialist, on duty Mon-Fri. 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Birth to Five Helpline is a free service available to all Arizona families with young children, as well as parents-to-be, with questions about their infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

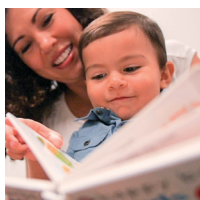
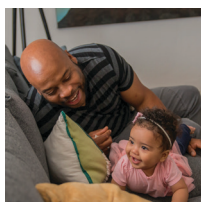
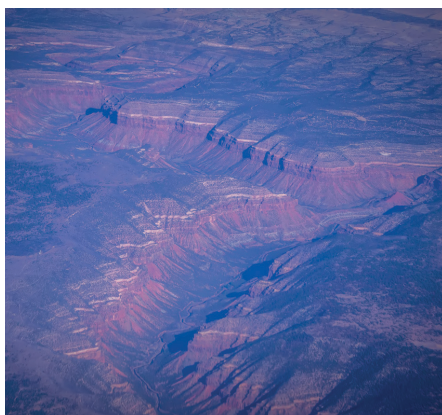
Topics addressed include but not limited to:

- Sleep
- Health and Nutrition
- Safety
- Challenging Behaviors
- Feeding and Eating
- General Child Development
- Potty Training/Learning
- Fussiness/Colic
- Parenting

An extension of the Birth to Five Helpline is the Fussy Baby program. This program provides telephone, home visiting and virtual video consultation and support to help families navigate challenges associated with hard-to-soothe infants, excessive crying, sleeping problems and feeding difficulties during their child's first year of life.

Download the Birth to Five Helpline app!





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