



CHILD CARE ALLIANCE LOS ANGELES

2022 STATE POLICY PRIORITIES

Overarching Priorities:

Equality & Racial Justice: Dismantle racism & inequity across BIPOC child care professionals and working families, both long-term and new residents (e.g., refugees)

Recovery & Stabilization: Build a stronger Early Childhood Education (ECE) system post COVID-19 especially in hard-hit Black and Latinx communities

SUSTAINABILITY



Increase Compensation

Develop new base rate that considers true cost of quality care



Affordability

Support Legislation to cap family costs for child care at no more than 7% of income



Mixed Delivery System

Sustain and grow child care options that meet family needs & support the development of the whole child



Local Funding

Partner with local government to leverage equitable, affordable & sustainable child care

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



Workforce Capacity

Support investment in child care provider and staff recruitment in all child care settings



Workforce Development

Expand resources founded on best practices training on trauma-informed care and family strengthening initiatives



Resource & Referral (R&R)

Support the critical role of the R&R system as community-centered support for families, essential workers, & child care professionals

FAMILY SUPPORT



Under-Resourced Families

Increase child care access & investments to under-resourced families



Access to Care

Eliminate family fees and provide additional child care vouchers to serve all eligible families



Eligibility

Advocate to streamline eligibility across multiple systems for family services and support

INFRASTRUCTURE



Federal, State, & Local Government

Strengthen collaboration with & support of federal, state, and local agencies



Data Systems

Partner with state agencies to streamline technology systems & integration of ECE Workforce Registry



Facilities

Invest in & expand child care settings, especially in highest need communities



Universal TK/Pre-K

Involve R&R and AP system to achieve comprehensive child care and ECE services



Union Relations

Strengthen partnership with labor to advocate for a more equitable system that meets needs of all child care professionals and working families



COUNTYWIDE COLLABORATION

ABOUT US

Formed in 1997, the Child Care Alliance of Los Angeles (CCALA) is a unique and significant partnership of ten early learning and care agencies that provide subsidized child care support and Resource & Referral services to children, families and child care providers across Los Angeles County.

Working together to strengthen families and ensure high-quality child care and early learning across Los Angeles County

Advocacy • Best Practices • Collaboration • Leadership • Quality

MEMBER AGENCIES



COLLECTIVE IMPACT



Supporting more than 50,000 children and families in subsidized child care (CalWORKs Stages One, Two, Three and Alternative Payment Programs (AP))



Advocating for more than 40,000 eligible children waiting for care

Investing more than \$500 million across Los Angeles County for child care and early learning

One of our top priorities is to rebuild and strengthen the child care system after the devastation of COVID-19. The Impact on ECE has been huge, as shown by the chart below:

Child Care Providers Open During the Pandemic	May 2020			May 2021			December 2021		
	Total Providers	Open	% Open	Total Providers	Open	% Open	Total Providers	Open	% Open
Child Care Centers	2,521	523	21%	2,582	1,812	70%	2,642	2,201	83%
Family Child Care Homes	5,600	3,301	59%	5,963	4,756	80%	6,244	5,134	82%
Total Licensed Providers:	8,121	3,824	47%	8,545	6,568	77%	8,886	7,335	83%

In May of 2020, less than half of all licensed providers were open. As of December of 2021, 83% of licensed providers have reopened.

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