



Head Start Open for Adventures

Head Start is one of the most powerful tools for overcoming poverty in the CAPK toolkit. It provides children from birth to five-years-old unmatched access to high-quality pre-kindergarten education that, put simply, gives them a head start on their lives in school. This learning can help overcome inter-generational poverty and disadvantage. It can remake lives and families. It can give children a path to become a teacher, doctor, law-enforcement officer or county supervisor. And the price is right - it comes at no cost to the family.

That's why CAPK is so excited to let our community know that Head Start has a wide range of openings in our 41 Head Start Centers across Kern and San Joaquin counties. Usually parents face waiting lists and months of delay to get their children into a Head Start Classroom. But, as COVID-19 has changed people's lives, space has opened up in many of our Head Start sites. Now is an amazing time for you and your family to start your Head Start Adventure. Click on the link below to begin!

**Enroll in Head Start
Now!**





CAPK's 2021-2025 Strategic Plan

Community Action Partnership of Kern is one of the largest non-profits in the Southern San Joaquin Valley and we have big job - supporting people as they overcome the conditions of poverty. Doing that job takes a plan - a big plan. CAPK is excited to share the newly-drafted 2021-2025 strategic plan with our communities. Please read about our mission and vision and how we will build our agency and empower our neighbors, families and friends over the next four years.

[Read CAPK's 2021-2025 Strategic plan](#)

MISSION

Community Action Partnership of Kern will address underlying causes of poverty, alleviate the effects, and promote dignity and self-sufficiency in the communities we serve.

VISION

We envision communities where all people have equal opportunities to achieve greater self-sufficiency and attain their version of the American Dream.

Emergency Child Care Assistance

CAPK is also excited to let you know that we are launching the COVID-19 Emergency Child Care Program. This program will help essential workers who have been impacted by the COVID-19

pandemic pay for the cost of child care. This assistance is available to individuals in Kern, Tulare, Kings, Fresno, Merced and Madera counties. The application period is open now and assistance will be available between Nov. 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022.

How to get started:

Call CAPK's Migrant Childcare program at 1
(800) 259-8866.

Click the links below to visit the COVID-19
Emergency Child Care Page.

Download an application form, fill it out, sign it in ink and mail or drop it off to MCAP - COVID-19 Emergency Child Care, 5005 Business Park North, Bakersfield 93309.

**Visit our Web Page to
Apply**

Download the Application Here

Partner Support: Gleaners

The CAPK Food Bank relies on more than 150 partners across Kern County to help distribute food to more than 40,000 families a month. We couldn't get food out into neighborhoods across Kern County's 8,000 square miles without these dedicated, passionate volunteer organizations. One of our long-term partners in Bakersfield is the Golden Empire Gleaners. We're excited to share that the Gleaners will be hosting a fundraising event from 6 to 10 p.m. on November 4 to help continue the agency's



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learn more and down-
load an application. Or scan
the QR Code below on your mobile
device.

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MCAP-Emergency Childcare
5005 Business Park North
Bakersfield CA 93309



**Call 1(800) 259-8866
for more information!**



CAPK's COVID-19 Emergency Child Care Program assists essential workers impacted by COVID-19 to pay for the cost of child care. Knowing their children have a safe place to learn and play helps them continue to exercise their vital roles our communities.

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quest to help feed our community. Give some thought to joining them at the 1933 Speakeasy Bar and Grill that night for food, music and a great cause.

