



December 2018 Featured Agency of the Month Del Norte Child Care Council



Del Norte Child Care Council (DNCCC) is a nonprofit agency. This spring we will be celebrating 40 years of service in Del Norte County.

In our first year as a nonprofit, DNCCC served 6 families. Today we serve hundreds of families. DNCCC has been growing, expanding and challenging ourselves ever since.

Our mission holds true today as it did then. Our charge is to promote and encourage family growth, education, care and development of children through increased community and family awareness of children's needs. We do this in a variety of ways.

- Resource and Referral (R&R) - we contract with CDE to offer our county's Resource and Referral Program. We encourage and mentor parent choice in all child care solutions. We offer a Toy Lending Library that is open to the public, in our child development room we share the space with our supervised visitation program.
 - DNCCC has hosted the National Child Passenger Safety Certification Training Program for many years, this grant provides training and certification for car seat technicians. We receive additional funding to provide car seats and education for eligible parents. DNCCC fundraises to keep the up with the need for car seats in our community.
 - For our Family Child Care Providers, we offer the CCIP and CACFP continuous professional development and assistance while promoting quality childcare.
 - Alternative Payment Program (APP) - we provide child care subsidies for families through our CDE APP contracts, CAPP, C2AP, C3AP, Trustline, CCTR, and the EHSCP grant.
 - DNCCC subsidy also includes the County contract for CalWORKS Stage 1.
 - We are very proud to be members of the CAPP and R&R Network. Their support over the years has been priceless.
 - DNCCC offers Supervised Visitation through the Superior Court of Del Norte. This program is the Child Access Program funded by the Judicial Counsel of CA- Access to Visitation grant.
 - Through the Office of Child Abuse Prevention, we offer Parent Education. This program is implemented for 3 age ranges. We use evidence based proven effective curriculum.
 - The Incredible Years for children 1-10
 - The Incredible Babies for parents pregnant or babies 0-12 months
 - The Incredible Years-Dina Dinosaur which includes a social emotional component.
 - We also provide this program to our County's Foster Children, and visit many TK and Pre-K classrooms in our Unified School District. This program is also supported by our DHHS Mental Health Services Act funds
 - As part of our Stage 1 Capacity Building, our partnership includes a wide range of opportunities for families as well as recruitment and training for Family Child Care Providers. This includes our License Exempt parents and providers as well.

We have many community partners that we collaborate with such as Redwood Coast Regional Center, Dept. of Social Services Mental Health Branch and Public Health Branch, Tobacco Use Prevention Programs, Del Norte County Unified School District, Chamber of Commerce, City of Crescent City, Workforce Center, the Family Resource Center, First 5 Del Norte, Child Support Services and many others.

DNCCC is also very busy with education for the little's of our community. We have partnered with our School District to offer two Community Care Licensing (CCL) Title 22 After School programs for children K- 6th grades.

We run a CCL Title 22 Pre School named "Little School of the Redwoods" it is a nonprofit preschool with a capacity of 30 children.

The definition of family has changed over the last 40 years and so has the definition of DNCCC. Although our roots are grounded, we are flexible with the ever changing trends, needs and opportunities of our Community.

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