

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS RESOURCES

FOR CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

Being prepared for an emergency or natural disaster is critical for your in-home child care center or child care facility to resume operations. Don't be caught off guard- plan ahead with these tools!



MAKE A PLAN



Create a plan to help your center recover and resume operations after a disaster

- Explore the California Department of Social Services' [Child Care Disaster Resources](#)
- View UCSF's Child Care [Disaster Preparedness Guide](#)

KNOW THE RISKS



Discover which hazards, such as floods or fires, may affect your business

- Review Alameda County's interactive [hazard maps](#)
- Learn more about how to be prepared in Alameda County at ready.acgov.org

STAY INFORMED



Sign up for Alameda County's [AC Alert](#) to receive emergency notifications

- Sign up for alerts from [PG&E](#) to be notified of public safety power shutoffs
- Identify your evacuation zone in advance using [genasys Protect](#)

HAVE RELIABLE POWER



Invest in a backup power source to ensure service during a power outage

- Explore the California Air Resources Board's Zero Emissions Backup Power Tool for [residential](#) or [commercial](#) buildings



PREPARE AN EMERGENCY KIT

Learn what needs to be included in an emergency kit and how to stay safe

- Use UCSF's [Emergency Supply Kit Checklist](#)

Questions? Email: acsustain@acgov.org

SUSTAINABILITY RESOURCES

FOR CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

Switching to more sustainable practices with these programs can help you save money, reduce waste, create a healthier environment, and make your in-home child care center or child care facility safer and healthier for children and providers!



SAVE ENERGY



Reducing your energy use can create savings on your bills and for the environment

- “Opt Up” to 100% renewable energy and receive rebates and incentives to save money and energy with Alameda County’s electricity provider, [Ava Community Energy](#)
- Explore flexible financing for energy projects with [GoGreen Financing](#)
- Buy [Energy Star](#) products when it’s time to replace appliances to earn rebates and save money and energy.
- View Energy Star’s [energy saving tips](#)

CLEAN WITH GREEN PRODUCTS



Look for products with trusted ecolabels

- For cleaning, use [Safer Choice](#) or [Green Seal](#) products
- For sanitizers or disinfectants, use [Design for the Environment](#) products
- View [UCSF’s informational posters](#) on safer cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting

REDUCE FOOD WASTE



Reducing your food waste decreases carbon emissions and saves you money

- Explore the [EPA’s tips](#) to reduce food waste
- View the [Children’s Environmental Health Network’s tips](#) for reducing and reusing

CERTIFY YOUR CENTER



Get credit for making your child care center more sustainable, safe, and healthy

- Get certified and receive incentives and assistance from [The Green Business Program](#) for conserving energy and water, minimizing waste, preventing pollution, and reducing emissions

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