Alameda County
LPC & QC Needs Assessment

2020
ALAMEDA COUNTY EARLY CARE & EDUCATION PROGRAM
FIRST 5 ALAMEDA COUNTY
LPC Needs Assessment

Background and Purpose

- Core mandate of the LPCs; to be conducted every 5 years at a minimum
- Last Needs Assessment was conducted in 2006: [https://www.acgov.org/ece/documents.htm](https://www.acgov.org/ece/documents.htm)
- The report provides data on the county’s child care supply, demand, and cost by region
- The board of supervisors and the county superintendent of schools must approve before submitting them to CDE
- Due December 2020
- We encourage public input!
QC Needs Assessment

Background and Purpose

- To identify high impact communities, understand provider and program saturation, and inform QC outreach strategies
- This is a new requirement, part of the Quality Counts RFA
- Joint effort with the LPC Needs Assessment
Key Data Elements

- Child and Family Demographics
- Child Care Demand, Supply, and Unmet Need
- Children Eligible and Enrolled in Subsidized Child Care
- Cost of Care
- Special Needs
- ECE Workforce
- COVID-19 (leadership team decided to include)
LPC Needs Assessment

Required Data Elements

- (A) The needs of families eligible for subsidized child care.
- (B) The needs of families not eligible for subsidized child care.
- (C) The waiting lists for programs funded by the department and the State Department of Social Services.
- (D) The need for child care for children determined by the child protective services agency to be neglected, abused, or exploited, or at risk of being neglected, abused, or exploited.
- (E) The number of children in families receiving public assistance.
- (F) Family income among families with preschool or school age children.
- (G) The number of children in migrant families.
- (H) The number of children with an IEP/IFSP.
- (I) The number of children in the county by primary language spoken.
- (J) Special needs based on geographic considerations, including rural areas.
- (K) The number of children needing child care services by age cohort.
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Additional Data Elements not in the LPC Needs Assessment

- Children served in subsidized child care and development subsidy programs over time
- Number of English Learners in public schools and state preschool programs, and languages spoken, grades K-12
- Kindergarten enrollment
- Transitional Kindergarten Participation by Ethnicity
- Birth rate projections
- Developmental screening data
- Number of ECE teachers who serve children in their classroom with an IFSP/IEP
- Number of children who are considered “hidden homeless” and number of homeless public-school students
- Number of “Hard-to-Count” Census Tracts
- Child care site languages and availability of child care for working families – children for whom spaces are available
- Child care and family budgets
- ECE Workforce data
Data Sources

**Data Tools**
- Early Learning Needs Assessment Tool (ELNAT)
- Census Data
- Community Care Licensing Database
- CDE Dataquest
- CDE 801a Data
- Resource and Referral Network Data
- Workforce Registry

**Community Partners**
- Alternative Payment Agencies
- County Offices of Education
- Department of Social Services
- Head Start and Early Head Start Grantees
- Quality Counts
- Resource and Referral Agencies
- Title 5 Centers
Needs Assessment Examples

San Francisco:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/13TBKEiVm8tuhVHNeqS1Pdn7RQ7NlyLvk/view?usp=sharing

San Diego:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Scnt0VjXZe6oXhnyYCX9MOHTlS1svBdb/view?usp=sharing

Contra Costa:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1o2x2_x302KLDc0mLaQuyyqCKgr2vt3iF/view?usp=sharing

Santa Clara:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1O2casuxBudsYjybaZyyMWmHkC4HhyEnC/view?usp=sharing
Next Steps

Needs Assessment Leadership Team

❖ Weekly Meetings
❖ Alameda County ECE Program and First 5 (Ellen Dektar, Mara Goby, Anna Miera, Michele Rutherford, and Rowena Kamo)

Ad Hoc Needs Assessment Subcommittee

❖ For key data stakeholders to address specific questions and share feedback
❖ Dates:
  ❖ Thursday, October 8th, 10:00-11:30 AM
  ❖ Thursday, November 12th, 10:00-11:30 AM
  ❖ Thursday, December 10th, 10:00-11:30 AM

Other Meetings

❖ Needs Assessment will be an agenda item at existing LPC and QC Leadership meetings
Thank you!

We appreciate your partnership and feedback

- Photos of children, staff, families, and programs will be woven into the report
- Please share any photos, along with photo releases, to mara.goby@acgov.org
- We'll invite everyone to the Ad Hoc Needs Assessment Subcommittee, please send your team's data experts!