

## Katie Honegger Statement

Thank you for nominating me for the chair elect role of the Alameda County Early Care and Education Planning Council Steering Committee. I am honored to be recognized by you, my peers and colleagues, for my passion and hard work for child care access and quality for all Alameda County families. As a former preschool teacher, manager at an Alameda County family resource agency, board member for nonprofit in Alameda County that oversees Head Start and Early Head Start programs, and, above all, a mom of a new kindergartener, I believe that my experiences on many sides of the ECE field give me a unique and new perspective to the chair elect position. My organization, leadership, and dedication to the planning council since I was appointed in 2017 – including Measure A advocacy efforts, execution of trauma-informed trainings, active participation and regular attendance in Steering Committee and ECE Quality Committee meetings, input in consumer recruitment strategy, and my willingness to step up whenever needed – are just a few examples of why I know I would make a solid addition to the ACECEPC Executive Committee team as chair elect for the next two years. I look forward to working together to making our county a leader in advocating for equitable access to high quality early care and education opportunities for all families.

Thank you.