

Attention Early Start Providers

RCEB is accepting letters of interest from qualified, experienced professionals to provide early intervention services in natural environments to children birth to 3 presenting with developmental delay or developmental disability.

Identified service needs are as follows:

- speech therapy,
- occupational therapy,
- physical therapy
- specialized instruction.

The provision of early intervention services in the child's natural environment is specified under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). The expectation in California is that community based programs provide at least 51% of their services in a **natural environment**.

Service locations:

- Alameda and
- Contra Costa Counties

Early intervention services are needed in all areas for children determined eligible for Early Start. **We support children and their families throughout our community with diverse ethnicities and languages beyond the language of English.** When responding, please include information about the languages that you have proficiency to use in your early intervention service delivery as you engage with children and their families.

RCEB is accepting letters of intent for identified Early Start Service Needs. Please see information below and send your letter to Jacob Hulthage, Senior Resource Specialist, jhulthage@rceb.org

Residential Service Needs

RCEB is accepting letters of intent for identified Residential Service Needs for adults and children.

RCFE homes-Residential Care homes for the Elderly: Residents of these homes will be 59 years of age or older and will have a variety of needs including personal care, low level or chronic medical issues, memory and ambulation limitations. Homes must be licensed as NON-AMBULATORY and 4 bed capacity is preferred, however, 6 beds will be considered. Individuals may want, or need to be at home during day hours and funding will be commiserate with this identified need.

ASL Homes –RCEB is currently looking to develop a licensed residential home, located in South Alameda County with the main focus of providing services to developmentally disabled individuals who are deaf or have hearing impairments and use American Sign Language or forms of ASL to communicate.

ARF Homes- Adult Residential Homes: ARM level 3 and above. Residents of these homes will be capable in personal care but will have behavioral issues related to their developmental disability and possible mental health diagnosis. Some may require personalized support during the day hours if a suitable day program is not identified or available. Funding for this additional, specialized service will be assessed and funded as needed. Preference will be given to those providers with the ability to support at least one non-ambulatory room with a 4 bed capacity, however, 6 beds will be also considered.

ARF Homes-Adult Residential Homes: ARM Level 4. Residents of these homes will be primarily non-ambulatory and will need assistance with all activities of daily living. There may also be some behavioral issues and individuals will require support with communication and accessing the community. Homes must be licensed as NON-AMBULATORY with 4 bed capacity preferred, however, 6 beds will be considered.

Group homes for children: ARM level 4. The residents of these homes will be children with behavioral issues that include but are not limited to verbal and physical aggression, property damage, tantrums and non-compliance. Many of these children will be diagnosed with Autism and will require support with communication skills and other social activities. 4 bed capacity is preferred, however, 6 beds will be considered.

Please send your letter to Amy Schwartz, Senior Resource Specialist,
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