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# MAYOR ERIC GARCETTI'S L.A. Emergency Child Care Connection For City Emergency Responders

Mayor Garcetti understands the critical role our emergency responders have played in saving lives during the COVID-19 pandemic. Beginning May 13th, Mayor Garcetti is expanding his [L.A. Emergency Child Care Connection](#), to offer childcare resources and services to the City of Los Angeles employee emergency responders.\* Our goal is to support the families of our emergency responders while they protect the families of LA residents during the pandemic.



## Enhanced Child Care Referrals for City Emergency Responders

City of Los Angeles emergency responders will have access to enhanced child care referral programs to meet their specific needs. Emergency responders may use the [County of Los Angeles Resource & Referral \(R&R\) Agency](#) to help identify and vet the best child care options for their families. Additionally, [WeeCare](#) and [Carina Care](#) offer referral services to emergency responders by providing online child care matchmaking services for families including weekend, nighttime, and drop-in child care options.

In addition, City emergency responders may be eligible for the subsidized child care program announced by Governor Newsom on April 29th. The eligibility [criteria for this program](#) includes income and family size factors. The Child Care Funding for Essential Workers program is run through the County of Los Angeles. To learn about your eligibility and child care options, call (888) 922-4453 or find your local [Resource & Referral agency](#).

## Recreation and Parks Childcare Centers



The City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks is offering temporary free child care at select recreation centers from 6 AM to 6 PM M-F for children ages 6 to 14. Academic assistance and recreation activities will be provided, and children will receive pre-packaged meals and snacks. Each center follows the [Los Angeles County Public Health guidelines](#) regarding group stability and social distancing. Staff and children are screened daily for COVID-19 symptoms. Anyone showing signs of illness will be isolated and asked to return home. Parents must pre-register to participate in this program and will be asked to show their City ID at drop off each day. Space is limited and is allocated on a first come, first served basis. **If interested, please contact Recreation and Parks through this form: <https://bit.ly/ECCP2020>**

For additional information regarding the City of Los Angeles' COVID-19 response:  
**[Coronavirus.LACity.org](https://www.lacity.org/coronavirus)**

\*City of Los Angeles employee Emergency Responders are defined in the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) memo issued by the Personnel Department on April 10th, 2020, including all staff in LAPD, sworn personnel in LAFD, POLA and LAWA, Bureau of Sanitation staff who perform functions essential to the maintenance of public health and all licensed health care professionals in the Personnel Department. Please check with your HR if you are classified as an Emergency Responder.