Resource and Referral Guide

NAS Corpus Christi Child and Youth Programs













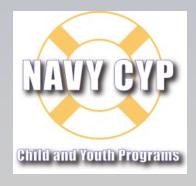




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INTRODUCTION

The Child Development Program (CYP) at NAS Corpus Christi would like to help you meet your child care needs. Because of our limited capacity at the CDC, we offer the following referral guide. **The CYP does not endorse the following options or services.** Instead, we recommend that parents personally interview any programs or individuals that they are interested in. Our community has many services that will help you meet your child care needs. Our guide also offers a listing of some other organizations that offer community services other than child care.

We hope that you find this guide a valuable resource. If you require further information, please contact the Child Development Center at (361) 961-1165 or the Youth & Teen Center at (361) 961-2355. The Child Development Center's hours of operation are from 0530-1800.

TYPES OF CHILD CARE SERVICES

The following will focus on the types of care provided in the community:

<u>CHILD CARE CENTERS:</u> These facilities take care of groups of children in nonresidential settings. They are organized to meet the needs of working parents and are usually open all day and year around. Most serve children two to five years old and some infants.

<u>PART-DAY NURSERY AND PRESCHOOLS:</u> These programs enroll children three to five years old and offer children a place to learn and play away from home. Programs must be licensed in the same way child care centers are licensed.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS: These programs take care of school aged children in a variety of settings such as elementary schools, community centers, or existing day care centers. They usually operate when school is not in session and may be full day summer programs. Public elementary schools are not required to be licensed, however, many are licensed.

HOME CARE (SOMETIMES CALLED "HOME FAMILY DAY CARE"): Typically, an individual who cares for a maximum amount of six children, including their own. The care is offered in the home of the provider. In Texas, all persons who operate home care must register with either the Department of Human Services or a local licensing agency. Screening and background checks are required for providers and family members. **References are recommended.**

<u>IN-HOME CARE:</u> This is care in the child's own home by someone the parent has employed; perhaps a baby-sitter, a housekeeper, or live-in individual. In-home care is generally the least available and most expensive form of child care. Parents will want to be careful in selecting a person because the caregiver is usually alone with the children. Parents should request at least three recent references and a local background check. **In-home care is not regulated in Texas.**

SUMMER DAY CAMPS: These camps offer full or part day summer activities that are frequently outdoors.

<u>TITLE XX:</u> This is a subsidized child care program, based on a sliding scale fee schedule and is regulated by the state. Local agencies via contracts with the Department of Human Services carry out the delivery of service to eligible clients. To be eligible for service, parents must qualify by income and by being employed or in training for employment. Children can receive care if incapacitated and can be placed to prevent abuse or neglect.

SELECTING QUALITY CHILD CARE

Selecting quality child care is not easy. Locating an acceptable, affordable child care facility requires evaluation of several factors, including those identified in the following list:

THE FACILITY ITSELF

NOTE:	BEFORE CHOOSING A CHILD CARE CENTER. BE SURE YOU CALL THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY & PROTECTIVE SERVICES AT (361) 878-3451 OR VISIT WWW.TXCHILDCARESEARCH.ORG TO ENSURE THAT THE CENTER IS PROPERLY LICENSED.
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	Does the release of a child require a formal procedural process?
	Are there napping accommodations?
	Are there nutritionally balanced menus posted?
	Are fire protection, light, air, clean water and toilet facilities adequate?
	Are indoors and outdoor space adequate for both quiet and active work and play?
	Is equipment appropriate? Are educational toys visible? Are they safe and geared to the ages cared for by the establishment?
	Is it child oriented?
	Is it licensed?
	Is Child Care Aware Accredited?

LET YOUR SENSES BE YOUR GUIDE!

LOOK FOR...

- · Happy children!
- Children at rest.
- Children eating snacks/lunch with pleasant conversation.
- Children and caregivers interacting.
- Children at play. They learn by painting, building with blocks, role playing in the housekeeping area, working with clay, puzzles and table games, participating in circle activities, and on the playground, rather than sitting/waiting in line for long periods.
- Children's creative artwork display (paintings, clay creations, original crayon drawings and collages) rather than only teacher-made or commercial materials or dittos to color.
- Approved child/caregiver ratios and group sizes observed.
- Furniture scaled to sizes of children.
- Room/building capacities posted and observed.
- Daily activities schedule posted in each classroom.
- Fire evacuation plans posted.
- Cleanliness/neatness.
- Well-lighted facility.
- Current information on neat bulletin board.
- Hand washing facilities in diaper-changing areas.
- Diaper disposal cans with tight-fitting lids.
- Emergency evacuation cribs in infant room.

Perhaps unlike your work surroundings, Child Development Centers may have a high noise level of busy, happy, expressive sounds. You may also expect to occasionally hear a child crying. Children vent their frustrations much easier than adults do. Infants alert us to their needs by fretting and/or crying.

LISTEN FOR...

- Caregivers and children speaking in a respectful manner.
- Children's voices talking, laughing, squealing, singing or crying.
- Children who want to share an idea with you.
- Music playing.
- Television only used for specific reasons for short periods of time.

SNIFF FOR...

- Pleasant aromas.
- Mild disinfectant odors.
- Proper ventilation evident throughout the center.

ASK ABOUT...

- Where dangerous chemicals/furnace are located.
- An isolation area for ill children.
- Staff certification in CPR/First Aid.
- Available drop-in cares.
- SOP for this center.
- Classroom evaluations (ECERS)
- Caregiver training.
- Food preparation.
- Patron satisfaction surveys/Needs assessments.
- A copy of parent handbook.
- Fire/health inspections.

Most important of all—What kind of "feeling" do you pick up during your visit?

THE EMPLOYEES / STAFF

 Do they appear enthusiastic and open to all comments and questions?
 Do they respect each child as an individual?
 Do they teach the children to respect the rights and opinions of others?
 What training does the staff have in early childhood education?
 Does staff appear warm and loving, but firm and flexible?
 Are the needs and feelings of each child and parent considered?
 Is emphasis placed on parent communication?
 Is staff familiar with the facility's philosophy and method of operation?
 State background check
 NAC (National Background Check)
 First Aid/CPR qualified
 Annual physicals
 Food Handlers Cards

THE EDUCATION PROGRAM

 Is there a written, planned program?
 Are programs designed for each age group?
 Does each program have specific goals?
 Is there a focus on total child development?
 Are resource people and material available for support?
 Are there summer and physical fitness activities?
 Do Pre-school or Kindergarten programs prepare children for reading, understanding, and number usage?
 Do preparatory activities appear enjoyable?

Choosing the right center or opting for residential care requires consideration of both child and family needs. Therefore, careful evaluation and selection will render the right accommodation for all concerned.

IN-HOME CARE (BABY-SITTERS)

There are a number of ways to locate potential in-home caregivers. Parents usually feel most comfortable with word-of-mouth recommendation from a good friend or neighbor. However, this is not always possible. Other ways of obtaining in-home care are:

- Checking bulletin boards.
- Calling local high schools or churches.
- Contacting private referral services.

The more screening done by these sources, the easier the job is for the parent. Nevertheless, private interview is always necessary. Unless it's impossible, try to anticipate your need for a sitter. Give yourself enough time to allow several interviews and time to reflect about which sitter or sitters you feel good about. Did the sitter seem reliable, confident, friendly and prompt? Experience can be important, especially if you have an infant. However, if the sitter is willing and capable and your needs for time away can be met, experience is not always a must. Always ask the sitter to come 15 minutes ahead of schedule to ease the transition period for your child. If possible, you may consider having the sitter come over for an extended period of time (prior to the actual care time desired) to care for your child or to be around your child while you are still there.

Here are some specific instructions and information you should leave with the sitter:

- Phone numbers and address where you will be.
- Phone number of a friend or relative in case of an emergency.
- Police department number (911).
- Pediatrician's number.
- Poison control number (1-800-441-0040).
- Fuse box and water turn-off locations.
- Where first aid items are kept in your home.
- Instructions on how to lock and unlock doors.
- General routine of children, their games, books, records, on sleep necessities, (i.e., bottles, blankets, stuffed animals, etc.)
- Rules of the house for the children.
- Any restrictions for the child or sitter.
- Authorization for the sitter to obtain emergency care with a specific physician or facility.

HOME SAFETY

Child proofing your home not only protects your children, but makes your job as a parent or child caregiver easier. As much as young children need freedom to explore their environment and learn from it, they also need to be protected from potential dangers. The following are some suggestions, which may help:

- Remove breakable items, such as glass ashtrays, knickknacks, etc. Place them out of reach, either permanently on a high shelf or temporarily stored until the children go home or outgrow this need.
- Cover electrical outlets or install safety outlets (these are sold at hardware stores).
- Place a high latch on outside doors and on doors to rooms you do not want children to enter.
- Install safe gates across stairs and appropriate doorways.
- Fence off heating grates to prevent burns.
- Keep water heater set at 120 degrees Fahrenheit or below to prevent accidental scalding.
- Do not use plastic bags to store children's toys, food, or diapers, unless kept out of reach of children.
- Check the floors each day to be sure surfaces are free of all small objects, which could be, swallowed (i.e., bobby pins, buttons, pennies, etc.)
- Remove medicines, poisons, household cleaners and other potential poisons from the children's reach. Lock cabinets securely where poisons and other chemicals are kept.
- Be sure houseplants are not poisonous and keep all plants out of reach—unless, of course, the children are tending their own plants with supervision.

FOR YOUR YARD AND OUTDOORS PLAY AREA:

- Remove all latches or doors from old refrigerators, chests and other items a child could hide or play in.
- Keep basement; shed locked and gardening tools, paints, etc., safely inside.
- Lock any accessible car or other vehicle.
- Protect children from outside garbage by placing cans behind a barrier or in tilt proof holders.
- Remove all debris (old wood, nails, or broken glass, etc.) from your yard.
- Remove all poisonous plants and running vines, which could trip children in their play.
- Children learn naturally through looking and listening, but also by feelings, climbing, pushing and for little ones, by testing. Remember that good supervision is a **must**, despite any precautions.

SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN

What is a "special needs child"? There are probably as many answers to this question as there are special children! For the purpose of this booklet, special needs children are children who differ in certain dimensions of human functioning. Many terms are used to describe children with such special conditions. Terms such as "exceptional", "disabled", "handicapped", and "developmentally delayed" are a few.

Special children may be limited physically and/or mentally in their ability to perform minimal daily living activities, and handicaps vary both in form and severity. Classification usually includes both. The degree of handicaps are described as:

- Developmental disabilities (handicaps)
- Sensory disabilities (hearing and visual impairments)
- Physical disabilities (orthopedic and health impairments)
- Language disabilities (speech impairment and learning impairments)
- Behavioral disabilities.

All children should have the opportunity to interact in an environment that allows them to achieve their maximum potential. The basis for providing services to special needs children in the least restrictive setting rests on the principle of normalization. "Normalization" means that persons who are different will be allowed to function as closely as their handicap will permit to the way that "able bodied" persons function. As a result, their development will be closer to that of typical children than if they had spent their time isolated from experiences. For many children, this "normalization" experience can occur from "integrating" special needs children in regular, licensed child care programs.

Child development and educational literature provides much information regarding the benefits of mainstreaming, particularly for young children. It benefits children with special needs and enriches the lives of "able bodied" children. "Mainstreaming" emphasizes the similarities of all children rather than their differences.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS ARE AVAILABLE TO FAMILIES SEARCHING FOR CHILD CARE

CHILD CARE AWARE AND THE UNITED STATES MILITARY SERVICES 1-800-424-2246

Supporting Our Nation's Military Families and Strengthening Child Care









Child Care Aware, the National Association of Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies, is our nation's leading voice for child care. We work with more than 600 state and local Child Care Resource and Referral agencies to ensure that families in every local community have accesss to quality, affordable child care. To achieve our mission, we lead projects that increase the quality and availability of child care, offer comprehensive training to child care professionals, undertake groundbreaking research, and advocate for child care policies that positively impact the lives of children and families.

Since 1987, Child Care Aware has been working to improve the system of early learning for children by:

- 1. Providing training, resources and best practice standards to local and state CCR&Rs that support high-quality, accountable services
- 2. Promotion national policies and partnerships that facilitate universal access to high quality child care.
- 3. Collecting, analysing, and reporting current child care data and research, including child care supply and demands trends.
- 4. Offering child care and parenting information and resources to families and connecting families to local CCR&R services.

CHILD CARE AWARE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the Child Care Aware Military Fee Assistance Program?

Child Care Aware is working with the US Military Services to help those who serve in the military find and afford child care that suits their unique needs. Through the fee assistance program, families are eligible to receive a monthly subsidy to help offset the cost of child care in their communities.

How do I determine if I am eligible to receive fee assistance?

Eligibility may vary by military branch. To determine your eligibility, click on the seal for your service branch to identify which programs may be available.

How much fee assistance will I receive?

Fee assistance amounts vary by program. For many programs, your fee assistance will be based on your total family income and provider rate.

Do I have to be enrolled with a provider before being approved for fee assistance?

In order to be approved, you must first select a child care provider that has registered with Child Care Aware® of America and meets the requirements of your program. Eligible providers who are not registered with Child Care Aware® of America are encouraged to apply online to become a part of our program. If you need assistance choosing a child care provider, you can search our online approved and preferred provider directory or contact Child Care Aware® at 1 -800-424-2246 for additional assistance.

After I submit my application, how do I know if I am approved?

Once your application has been approved, Child Care Aware® of America will email an approval packet to you and your provider. At the end of each month, the provider will submit attendance sheets for payment.

How long does the application process take?

Upon submitting your application, please allow 3 business days for our staff to review and determine what supporting documents may still be required for approval. By applying online, you can track your application status

CHILD CARE SERVICES NAS CORPUS CHRISTI

NAME OF PROGRAM	<u>ADDRESS</u>	PHONE
After School Program		
Youth & Teen Center	Bldg. 1756	961-2355
<u>Day Care</u>		
Child Development Center	Bldg. 1782	961-1165
Drop-In Child Care		
Child Development Center	Bldg. 1782	961-1165
Family Home Care		
Child Development Homes	Bldg. 1782	961-1166
Youth Programs		
Youth & Teen Center	Bldg. 1756 Summer Youth Camp, School Holi One day Camp, Holiday Camps.	961-2355 iday Camps

Operation/Caregiver Name	Address	Zip	Phone	Infant	Toddler	Preschool	School
A Bar Z Ponderosa	4901 Burney Dr	78411	361-992-7681	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
A Bar Z Ponderosa II	4322 Violet Rd	78410	361-242-9710	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
A Special Place Inc	3065 S STAPLES	78404	361-851-5053	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
A+ Day Care & Learning Center	15114 Northwest Blvd.	78410	361-767-2273	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
ABC Christian Child Care	4025 Violet RD	78410	361-242-2664	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Alameda School and CCC	3046 S Alameda	78404	361-882-3216	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Ana Brisenos Childcare	5201 Bonham	78415	361-334-8410	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Annaville Early Headstart	3901 Cliff Crenshaw	78410	361-241-2001	Υ	Υ	Υ	N
Appletree Academy Inc	2342 Rodd Field Road	78414	361-906-0899	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Ariels Playroom Childcare Home	3671 S Staples ST	78411	361-687-7681	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Arlington Heights Christian School	9550 Leopard St	78410	361-241-0090	N	N	Υ	Υ
Asbury Creative Learning Center	7501 S Staples	78413	361-991-6263	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Aurora Castillo	3326 Casa Rosa Dr	78411	361-852-0516	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Austin Head Start	550 Guatemozin	78405	361-882-1767	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Bay Area Child Development Ctr	5215 Embassy	78411	361-857-6543	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Bay Area Child Development Ctr II	4926 Greenwood Drive	78416	361-225-2002	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Bear Hugs Group Day Home	6337 Fitzhugh	78414	361-985-1632	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Brenda Richards Little Wranglers Daycare	3902 Wagner Lee	78418	361-779-7284	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Bright Beginnings	4634 Kostoryz	78415	361-855-9236	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Building Blocks Preschool	6906 Guinevere St.	78414	850-261-3460	N	N	Υ	Υ
Bundles of Care Pre-K Center	902 16th St	78404	361-887-8998	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Carmens Day Care	14745 Dasmarinas	78418	361-949-8163	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Central Catholic YMCA Afterschool	1218 Comanche ST	78401	361-883-3873	N	N	Υ	Υ
Central Christian Childrens Academy	6301 Weber RD	78413	361-851-8747	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Centros De Los Ninos Familias	1838 Frio	78417	361-853-1602	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Child Logic Inc	4201 Up River Road	78408	361-887-8836	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Childrens Educare Inc	4529 Weber	78411	361-851-9400	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Cliff Maus Head Start	1458 West Point	78416	361-857-0468	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Coastal Bend Childcare 1	5702 S Staples Suite D4	78413	361-993-2273	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Coastal Bend Child Care 3	3029 Sabinas	78405	361-884-7940	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Del Mar College-Morris L Lichtenstein Jr	101 Baldwin Blvd	78404	361-698-1083	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Driscoll Childrens Learning Center	3533 S Alameda	78411	361-694-6255	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Eagles Landing Academy	453 Pasadena Place	78411	361-854-0703	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
El Tejanito Head Start	4768 Old Brownsville Road	78405	361-883-0578	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Elgin Park Neighbor Center	2955 Greenwood	78405	361-884-3451	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Elizabeth Elam	6014 Killarney	78413	361-853-8993	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Enchanted Childrens Academy	6229 Kostoryz Road	78415	361-288-4563	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
First Baptist School	3115 Ocean Dr.	78404	361-884-8931	N	Υ	Υ	Υ

Operation/Caregiver Name	Address	Zip	Phone	Infant	Toddler	Preschool	School
First Christian Church Day School and Child Care							
Center	3401 Santa Fe	78411	361-854-1241	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
First Presbyterian Preschool	430 South Carancahua	78401	361-887-7116	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
First United Methodist Church Vinson	900 South Shoreline	78401	361-884-9211	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Gingerbread House	2901 Gollihar	78415	361-851-8060	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Glorias Child Care	6910 Fawn Ridge	78413	361-695-3145	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Gollihar Neighborhood Center	3333 Gollihar	78415	361-806-2959	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Grannys Kountry School	9520 Up River RD	78410	361-242-2603	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Greenwood Molina Childrens Center	954 National	78416	361-854-2251	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Gulf Coast Council of La Raza, Inc. Latchkey Program	4129 Greenwood Drive	78416	361-881-9988	N	N	Y	Υ
Sidili	5805 Williams Drive Building	70410	301 001 3300	14			
Gulfway Park Head Start Center	2	78412	361-980-9051	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Happy Child DCC	1201 Morgan Ave		361-884-9676		Υ	Υ	Υ
Headstart at the Y	4639 Corona Suite 56		361-225-0410		Υ	Υ	Υ
Incarnate Word Academy Afterschool	2910 S Alameda	_	361-877-2063		N	Υ	Υ
Inch Worm Day Care Learning Center	11002 Leopard Street	78410	361-241-0100	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Island Foundation Inc Private Education	15801 SPID		361-949-1530		N	N	Υ
Jacqueline Wimbish	4234 Wolf Creek		361-850-7465		Υ	Υ	Υ
Jan and Rays Child Care Service	4638 Schanen Blvd		361-855-2813		Υ	Υ	Υ
Jewish Community Council	750 Everhart	78411	361-855-6239	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Joyce Reynolds Group Home	2240 Lombardy	78418	361-937-5431	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Judys Day Care	1641 East Manor Drive	78412	361-991-0978	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Kids of the Neighborhood	126 Watson		361-882-9850		Υ	Υ	Υ
Kids Place at Grace	6301 Yorktown Blvd	78414	361-985-8585	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Kinder Care Learning Center #370	1354 Rodd Field Road		361-991-6571		Υ	Υ	Υ
Kinder Care Learning Center #788	6826 Everhart RD		361-991-3300		Υ	Υ	Υ
Kinder Care Learning Center #942	4040 Acushnet		361-851-2861		Υ	Υ	Υ
Kinder Town Academic Daycare	7017 S Staples Suite 102		361-334-2305		Υ	Υ	Υ
La Armada Head Start	3750 South Port		361-881-9771		Υ	Υ	Υ
Lalas Little Ones	953 Ribbon Tail		361-937-6210		Υ	Υ	Υ
Lamar Early Headstart	2212 Morris		361-878-2569		Υ	Υ	N
Latchkey Program	City of Corpus Christi		361-826-3499		N	N	Υ
Lisa Brewer	833 Saint Martin	78418	361-937-8836		Υ	Υ	Y
Little Feet Child Care Center	4420 S. Staples		361-723-1347		Y	Υ	Y
Little Hornet Headstart Center	406 Glenoak		361-937-7222		Y	Υ	Y
Little Roos Preschool Academy	15109 NW BLVD		361-387-4259		Y	Υ	Y
Lord Of Life Lutheran Child Development Center			361-937-8158		Y	Υ	Y
Los Pequenos Head Start Ctr	2801 Morris		361-888-6086		Υ	Υ	Y

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Mary Lois Field Learning CTR	10500 Stonewall Blvd	78410	361-241-8408	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Mary Mcleod Bethune Day Nursery	900 Kinney	78401	361-882-7326	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Marys Day Care	5617 Safari	78411	361-510-2524	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Marys Daycare	913 Anderson	78411	361-288-5112	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Melba Candy Sanchez	4606 French	78411	361-852-7591	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Mi Casita Montessori School, Inc.	754 Caddo St.	78412	361-991-1492	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Miramar Head Start Center	1311 Seventh Street	78404	361-884-4478	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Molina Neighborhood Center	614 Horne Road	78416	361-853-8881	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Montessori Pre-School at Home	7222 Lipes BLVD	78413	361-991-0458	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Montessori School of Corpus Christi	901 C Brawner Pkwy	78411	361-883-9306	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Mount Olive Lutheran Preschool	5101 Saratoga	78413	361-991-3416	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Ms Cristinas Family Group Day Home	4742 Molina Drive	78416	361-853-6726	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Ms Rachels Child Care	4545 Bluebelle	78416	361-852-7933	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Ms Toni's Tots	3201 Airline Rd. Suite H	78414	361-723-0163	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Navarro Place Head Start Center	120 19th Street	78405	361-887-0103	N	N	Υ	Υ
Navigation Pointe Early Headstart	901 S. Navigation Blvd.	78405	361-289-0916	Υ	Υ	Υ	N
Noahs Ark Day Care	517 Catalina Pl	78411	361-851-0020	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Noahs Ark Day Care	4638 Quincy Dr	78411	361-855-0519	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Normas Kidz World	2521 Gollihar	78415	361-814-4723	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Odyssey Early Learning	3875 S Staples, Building 4	78411	361-334-2525	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Our Lady of Perpetual Help School	5814 Williams	78412	361-991-3305	N	Υ	Υ	N
Our Lady Of The Rosary Learning	2237 Waldron	78418	361-939-9847	N	Υ	N	N
Pats Preschool	4125 Sierra ST	78410	361-241-7115	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
PEP Miller High School CCISD	1 Battlin Buc Boulevard	78408	361-886-9290	Υ	Υ	Υ	N
PEP Carroll CCISD	5301 Weber Rd	78411	361-878-5164	Υ	Υ	Υ	N
PEP Moody CCISD	1818 Trojan	78416	361-878-7366	Υ	Υ	Υ	N
PEP Ray CCISD	1002 Texan Trl	78411	361-878-7323	Υ	Υ	Υ	N
PEP Solomon Coles CCISD	924 Winnebago	78401	361-844-0432	Υ	Υ	N	N
Phyllis Hibdon's Day Home	6013 Killarney	78413	361-334-7232	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Planet Kids	12212 Leopard	78410	361-241-0952	N	N	N	Υ
Precious Moments Group Day Home	4814 Larcade	78415	361-460-9120	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Primera Day School	1509 Tarlton	78415	361-884-3582	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Ramelrose Home Day Care	6513 Macarena Drive	78414	361-443-6719	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Rebecca Palacios Group Home	3630 Garnet Court	78414	361-992-0066	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Red Barn Private School Inc	2013 Holly Rd	78417	361-855-7555	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Redemption Christian Academy	4100 Up River Rd	78408	361-882-4185	N	N	Υ	Υ
Regina Reiser	6533 Picante Drive	78414	361-986-8926	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Rise School of Corpus Christi	744 Everhart	78411	361-814-9399	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
River Square Early Headstart Center	10342 River Run BLVD	78410	361-242-3400	Υ	Υ	Υ	N
Seashore Early Childhood Academy	15217 SPID Ste 210	78418	361-949-1530	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Second Baptist Child Development Center	6701 S Staples	78413	361-994-1751	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ

Operation/Caregiver Name	Address	Zip	Phone	Infant	Toddler	Preschool	School
Sharon Lynn Shudark	4026 Easy St	78418	361-813-2563	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Silver Spoon Prodigy Child Care, LLC	6402 Saratoga Boulevard	78414	361-993-4386	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Small World Child Care	1070 NAS	78418	361-937-1461	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Southside Montessori School	5330 Holly Rd	78411	361-991-2702	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Spohn Memorial Child Care Center	2606 Hospital	78405	361-902-4668	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
St Bartholomews Episcopal Academy	622 Airline	78412	361-991-2923	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
St Johns Childrens Learning Center	5300 S Alameda	78412	361-991-4780	Υ	Υ	Υ	N
Storybooks School Inc	5333 Yorktown Blvd	78413	361-452-1021	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Sylvia Gonzales	244 Oleander Ave	78404	361-882-3252	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
TCB Child Care	1753 Triple Crown Dr.	78417	361-857-2565	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Teresa McCune	2449 Stillbrook	78414	361-993-2905	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
The Academy of Living Literacy	5245 Yorktown Blvd	78413	361-452-2211	N	N	Υ	Υ
Tiny Tots Home Day Care	1217 Annapolis	78404	361-877-2842	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Travis Baptist Church School	5802 Weber Rd	78413	361-853-9131	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Trinity Lutheran Preschool	2205 16th Street	78404	361-884-6009	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Trinity Services Childcare	4510 Orchid	78416	361-853-3854	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Tuloso Midway EHS	7601 Leopard	78409	361-903-6459	Υ	Υ	Υ	N
Tuloso Midway Headstart	1921 Overland Trl	78410	361-903-6550	N	N	Υ	Υ
Washington Head Start Center	1113 North Alameda	78401	361-879-0193	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Wende Dlabaja	4173 Eagle	78413	361-334-6147	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Wesley Community Center	4015 MacArthur	78416	361-880-8300	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
West Oso JFK Elementary Headstart	1102 Villarreal	78416	361-806-5920	N	N	Υ	Υ
Wiggins Head Start Center	1006 22nd Street	78405	361-884-7902	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
YMCA Afterschool Corpus Christi Montessori							
School	3630 Gollihar Road	78415	361-882-1741	N	N	N	Υ
YWCA Child Care Connection	4639 Corona Suite 61	78411	361-854-2332	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Zavala Headstart Center	442 Mohawk	78405	361-882-7800	N	N	Υ	Υ

COMMUNITY SERVICES

American Red Cross

NHCCC

(361) 961-2189

Services Provided:

Financial assistance and services to military families from single family house fires to major disasters such as hurricanes, floods, and tornados. Also provides clothing, shelter, and other emergency needs free of charge.

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity

1106 Logan

884-8728

Services Provided:

Provides support to families, teachers and community members that are touched by Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder. Meetings are held at Travis Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month.

Attorney General, Office of the

2820 SPID Suite 298

851-5024

Services Provided:

Establish and enforce child support orders, along with establishing paternity and locate absent parents.

Bay to Bay Infant Stimulation Program

4410 Dillon Lane #11

516-1067

1-800-523-7869 Ext. 312

855-3991

Services Provided:

Provides education and training between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on weekdays for motor skills handicapped children.

Boys & Girls Club

3902 Greenwood Drive

853-2505

Services Provided:

Offers special programs all year around for children from 6 to 18 years of age. During the school year, they are open from 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Fridays. They help with homework and more.

Child Abuse Prevention Council of South Texas

502 McClendon St.

854-1988

Services Provided:

The Child Abuse Prevention Council of South Texas is an active coalition of individuals and groups working together through education, service, and advocacy to prevent child abuse and neglect.

Child Care Clearing House

Workforce Development Corporation

889-5330

Services Provided:

Child Care Clearing House assists families with finding and if eligible, paying for child care services in a 12 county area.

Children's Protective Services

1901 Trojan Drive

854-2011

Hotline: 1-800-252-5400

Services provided:;

To protect children and to act in the child's best interest. Investigate reports of child abuse and/or neglect. Provide in-home services, provides services for children, and arrange adoptive placement.

Community Action Agency

2590 Morgan Avenue

883-7201

Services provided:

Community services provide assistance with energy crisis and weatherization, while providing support for the organization, development and growth of the neighborhood councils.

Family Service Center, Navy

NHCCC

961-2372

Services provided:

Information and referral services, emergency job search, command support, counseling, relocation/transition assistance, crisis intervention, family advocacy, maps, brochures, local/state/national and worldwide services according to needs.

2505 Waldron Drive

694-9000

Services provided:

Provides education from pre-kindergarten through high school. Special education service covers 13 disability conditions and is available on all campuses including Alternative Schools when appropriate. A wide variety of related services are available such as: Counseling, Speech therapy, Occupational therapy, Physical therapy, transportation, and adaptive P.E.

La Leche League

3713 Castle Top Cr.

985-0705

Services provided:

Provides support and information about breast-feeding with monthly meetings and telephone help. Meetings are held at the home of a member. Please call for specific meeting place.

Nueces County Community Action

1225 Agnes Street

880-4141

Community action changes people's lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities and makes America a better place to live.

Padre Behavioral Hospital

6629 Woolridge Road

986-9444

Services provided:

Parent Support group meetings

Palmer Drug Abuse Program

113 Clemmer

887-8900

Services provided:

A fellowship of young people, parents, and concerned community leaders who have joined forces to solve common problems associated with drug and alcohol abuse. PDAP staff members and participants help others recover from the effects of mind changing chemicals and work with the abusers' families.

Texas Department of Human Services

5155 Flynn Parkway

855-9924

Services provided:

Human services not covered in other agencies, i.e., foster child care, adoption, welfare, food stamps, and others.

Texas Public Health Services and Immunization Services

1233 Agnes Street

888-7837

Services provided:

Tuberculosis screening and control/treatment center. Other chronic disease screening and control by referral: Crippled children, hearing aids, kidney rheumatic heart, and disabled children.

Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program

3533 S. Alameda Street 694-6775

Services provided:

WIC provides Federal grants to States for supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education for low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum women, and to infants and children up to age five who are found to be at nutritional risk.

AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION

When you have decided on the best arrangement for your child, you job is not over! Preparing yourself and your child for this new experience is the next important step.

Talk things over with the caregiver regularly. Make sure your expectations are clearly understood. It will be important for you to ask questions if necessary, share information regularly, and be available to discuss you child and his/her progress.

Parents often feel so happy to have found someone or somewhere "good" to care for their child that they resist expressing concerns for fear of offending the provider. Lack of communication can lead to a build-up of tension. Speaking frankly from the start of your relationship is important and establishing clear agreements in the beginning could assist the care provider in carrying out your every need.

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