

**Monthly
Observances**

October:
Domestic Violence
Awareness

November:
Prematurity Awareness

December:
Safe Toys and Gifts



What's New in Solano?

Welcome to our first quarterly newsletter!

First 5 Solano has transitioned from collaborative meetings to sharing information through a quarterly newsletter. The newsletter will provide information on early childhood issues and programs relevant to Solano and mailed electronically to 100+ Solano providers. If you have information you would like to share through the newsletter, send to cfc@solanocounty.com. We will also be hosting trainings, so be on the lookout for future announcements.

Announcing the Solano CARE Clinic

Child Haven is excited to announce they have opened their new CARE clinic; an intensive 10-week early assessment and intervention program for children ages two and a half to five with moderate to severe multi-disciplinary needs. For more information contact Child Haven at 707-425-5744.



*"I sustain myself with the
love of family."
-Maya Angelou*



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Outreach tip of the month: Be the conversation starter!

Start by smiling, making eye contact and asking parents some easy questions. “How old are your children? What do they like to do?” Move into a discussion about your services, “What do you know about our agency? Are you having any challenges parenting right now?” Conclude with handing them some materials, “Here is a brochure on some services you may be interested in and here is a Band-Aid holder to keep in your car for ouchies.”

Training/Conference Opportunities

Napa Infant-Parent Mental Health Fellowship Program accepting applications for January 2017 start date

The Courage Conference: Hope and Healing for the Traumatized Child
 November 3-4, Fairfield

*scholarships available for parents/ caregivers

Observing Behaviors of Children: Screening children with the ASQ-3 & ASQ-SE November 30, Fairfield

For additional trainings for child care and early learning providers, visit www.solanofamily.org.



Outreach Resources

Free

Make your next outreach event a success! First 5 Solano has fun and useful outreach material for community partners to share with families. Listed are some of the supplies that can be used for community outreach and engagement.

	Band-Aid Holder
	Growth Chart
	Forehead Thermometer Magnet
	Baby Keys
	Calendar

To order materials, go to www.first5solano.com, click Grantee Resources, and complete the Community Engagement Supply Form.

And don't forget while you are on our website to order your Kits for New Parents!



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New
Opportunity!



Announcing an Exciting New Partnership with Brandman University

New Scholarships Available For ALL First 5 Solano Employees and Affiliate Service Providers! *

**Affiliate Service Providers include First 5 Solano grantee staff and other partners who work with First 5 Solano on issues of early childhood. If you are reading this, you are probably an affiliate service provider!*

In keeping with First 5 Solano's commitment to providing growth and development opportunities for employees and its service providers, First 5 Solano has formed a Premier Partnership with Brandman University. As part of this exciting new alliance, Brandman University has generously approved scholarship funding exclusively for all First 5 Solano employees and affiliate service providers. If you have ever been interested in earning your associate, bachelor or master degree, Brandman University has a 50 year legacy of blending academic excellence with a progressive and innovative curriculum designed for working adults.

For the 2016-17 academic year (Summer I 2016 thru Summer II 2017), First 5 Solano employees and service providers interested in enrolling in programs† and campus locations are eligible to receive:

- Up to \$6,000 in scholarship towards bachelor degree programs
- Up to \$3,000 in scholarship towards graduate degree programs
- Up to \$5,600 in scholarship towards doctoral degree program (Ed. D.)
- 10% scholarship benefit for Brandman Certification or Certificate Programs

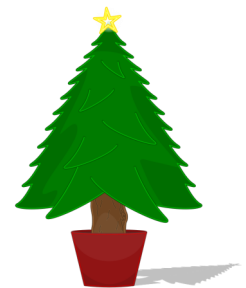
If you are interested in learning more about how Brandman University can help make your educational dreams come true, **please contact the Brandman – Fairfield Campus at 707-863-0990.**

Please note, submitting your interest does not commit you or guarantee admission into any of our academic programs, but only serves as a means of reserving scholarship funding should you choose to enroll in select programs after receiving admission to the university.



†Excludes Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) and Competency Based Education (CBE) programs. Brandman University, a part of the Chapman University System, is a private, nonprofit institution accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) that offers academic programs both online and at over 25 campuses throughout California and Washington.

*"Education is
teaching our
children to
desire the
right thing."
-Plato*



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Help Me Grow Solano Update:

Solano Family and Children's Services has taken over the Help Me Grow Solano resource and referral line, helping our local families access the resources they need!

As always, Help Me Grow Solano continues to be reached three different ways:

CALL: 844-501-5437

FAX: 707-426-1303

VISIT ONLINE:
helpmegrowsolano.org



"As parents become more aware and emotionally healthy, their children reap the rewards and move toward health as well."

-Daniel J. Siegel



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