

Success By 6 Early Childhood Stakeholder Meeting Announcements

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Any Baby Can is accepting referrals across all programs, especially the Healthy & Fair Start Home Parenting Program. Referrals can be made through our website under the Request Services tab: www.anybabycan.org

Austin Public Health

- Launched a Spanish language Facebook group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/aphespanol?mc_cid=c3dbcf16fb&mc_eid=f5756dbe48
- Has a lot of temp jobs open for Covid-19 vaccine distribution: <https://www.kxan.com/news/local/austin/austin-public-health-is-hiring-100-temp-positions-for-covid-19-response-support-heres-how-to-apply/>
- **Unanswered question for APH from Cristina Garza - AVANCE Austin:** Since we work with parents, which is the best way for our organizations to support APH's efforts?

Austin Public Library

- Offering virtual Spanish language programs for children/parents through the Mexican Consulate. They are also starting other virtual programs. These can be found on their calendar at: <https://library.austintexas.gov/events/calendar>
- Educators can make use of their new service: Book a Librarian: <https://library.austintexas.gov/webform/book-librarian-483026>
- Started a new service during Covid to help customers find jobs. They have a Job Portal with tips and links to other organizations. Job seekers can also “book a job coach” to answer questions: <https://library.austintexas.gov/jobportal>

BookSpring will send 3 books to homes with young children. Apply online or by phone:

<https://www.bookspring.org/es/directo/> (Spanish link) <https://www.bookspring.org/en/direct/> (English link)

Early Matters Greater Austin (Business Alliance) - Learn more about the Early Matters Greater Austin Coalition's new self-assessment for businesses: The Best Place for Working Parents: <https://www.earlymattersgreataustin.org/best-place-for-working-parents>

Hand to Hold is offering free virtual support groups for parents with current or graduate NICU (neonatal intensive care unit) babies: <https://handtohold.org/nicu-family-support/nicu-family-support-groups/>

IDADS is a community to support father figures. Learn more on their Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/IDADSATX/>. Or contact Joshua Banks, 512-943-2094.

SAFE Austin – Strong Start Parent Education Classes are happening for families with kids 0-5 years old. All sessions are 100% FREE, 100% virtual and available with no wait time: <https://www.safeaustin.org/our-services/prevention-and-education/parenting-support/>

United Way for Greater Austin

- **New members needed for Success By 6 Communications Workgroup:** contact Morgan.Messick@uwatx.org
- Participate in United Ways for Greater Texas Advocacy Days: bit.ly/TexasUnitedDays
- Sign up link to be an advocacy volunteer: <https://forms.gle/6xG1VgfWvFzoucC9>