



County of San Luis Obispo, Department of Social Services  
**ONGOING RESOURCE FAMILY TRAINING CALENDAR**  
**JANUARY 2019**



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DATE	TIME	TOPIC	LOCATION	TRAINER	RSVP TO
1/3 Thursday <b>OR</b> 1/5 Saturday	6pm- 8pm  10am-1pm	<b>TBRI Specialized Training - "A Sensory World"</b> <b>(CC, B, T)</b> (Part of the TBRI training series). Part of the required trainings for those wanting to become a specialized home. Anyone who works with our youth are also welcome to attend these specialized trainings.	<b>PM Location:</b> DSS- 3563 Empleo St, SLO, Conference 2  <b>AM Location:</b> DSS- 3563 Empleo St, SLO, Conference 1	Dot Stauble	781-1705
1/3 Thursday <b>OR</b> Saturday 1/12	4pm-10pm  9am-3pm	<b>CPR &amp; 1<sup>st</sup> Aid</b> <b>(CC, B, T)</b> Adult and Pediatric CPR & 1 <sup>st</sup> aid – American Red Cross 2-year Certification. Los instructores que hablan español están disponibles en este entrenamiento. Por favor llame al 781-1815 para hacer una solicitud. <i>Bring your dinner-Microwave and refrigerator available for your use.</i>	<b>1/3/19 Location:</b> DSS- 3563 Empleo St, SLO, Conference 1  <b>1/12/19 Location:</b> DSS- 3433 S Higuera, Room 101, SLO (near the outdoor courtyard)	American Red Cross	781-1705
1/8 Tuesday	9am-12pm <b>OR</b> 6pm-9pm	<b>RFA Tier II -Training Series</b> <b>(CC, T)</b> This is a highly recommended training series for any newly licensed RFA home. Each month focuses on a different topic. <i>Topics Include; Resource Family Best Practices, Organization for Resource Parents, Working with Birth Parents &amp; Visitation, Transitions, Adoptions, and Trauma (TBRI-Trauma series).</i>	DSS- 3563 Empleo St, SLO, Conference 2 (both classes)	Judy Martin	781-1705
1/8 Tuesday	6pm-8pm	<b>Foster Parent Association Meeting/Mixer</b> <b>(T)</b> (Children are welcome to attend) Open to Resource Families, Relative caregivers, professionals who work with our specialized population, or anyone wanting to volunteer. This is a great opportunity to connect to other Resource Families and resources in our community!	Sands Inn & Suites, 1930 Monterey St, San Luis Obispo (in the breakfast room)	Mimi Feliciano-Hix	781-1705
1/9 Monday	6pm-8pm	<b>Resource Family Information Meeting</b> We invite you to attend this informational meeting to learn how to become a Resource Family to children in our community (formerly known as Fostering, or being a Foster Parent). This meeting will take you through the process of becoming a Resource Family, designed to help you make that decision. <b>RSVP required to attend, or meeting will be cancelled if no one is registered.</b>	DSS- 3433 S Higuera, San Luis Obispo, Room 101 (next to the fenced in courtyard)	Cynthia Fletcher or Jackie French	781-1705



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1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13  Wednesdays	9am-11am	<b>SPARK- Successful Parenting At Risk Kids (CC,T, B)</b> Bilingual services offered, please request at time of registration. SPARK is an ongoing parenting series designed to provide training and practical tools for parents. SPARK is highly recommended for Resource Families and Kinship Care Providers. TOPICS INCLUDE: Scream Free Parenting, Identifying Behavior in Both Infants and Children, How you can effectively Parent Children with Behavioral Issues, Life Skills Training, and Case Management and Visitations.	DSS – 3563 Empleo St, SLO, Conference 2	Stephanie Wilson, LMFT	781-1705
1/10 Thursday	6pm-9pm	<b>RFT (Resource Family Training)- Class #1, #2 &amp; #3 (CC, F, B, T)</b> Mandatory training for anyone wanting to become a Resource Family. This is a 3-class training series home. Los instructores que hablan español están disponibles en este entrenamiento. Por favor llame al 781-1805 para hacer una solicitud.	ABC Church, 6225 Atascadero Ave, Atascadero	Judy Martin	781-1705
1/12 Saturday	9am-4pm				
1/17 Thursday	6pm-9pm				
1/11 Friday	9am-12pm	<b>RFCS- Resource Family Case Support (CC, T)</b> Topic- Case Discussions. This workshop is therapeutic in nature ad topics will include strategies to work within the system in a positive manner, overcoming obstacles in your case plan, how to advocate for the children in your care, overview of community resources. This is open to all Resource Families, foster or adoptive parents and Kinship care providers.	DSS-3563 Empleo St, SLO, Conference 2	Stephanie Wilson, LMFT	781-1705



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1/12 Saturday	2:30pm-5:30pm	<b>LIVESCAN - RFT Fingerprinting</b> Fingerprinting is mandatory for those going through initial Resource Family Training (RFT), or for licensed homes needing re-certification. Services offered through the County of San Luis Obispo Social Services and Cuesta College FKCE program, at no cost to families who are working with County of SLO Social Services. Sign-ups provided in 15-minute time slots. <b>NO childcare provided</b> , however, children are welcome to attend as long as an adult supervises them. Call 781-1705 to register.  <b>Additional ways to get fingerprinted:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To book a reservation at the DSS Human Resources office, call 781-1825, between Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm. Appointments are limited to only a few days a month, and fill up quickly.</li> <li>To book a reservation at the County Office of Education, call 782-7208. They are located across the street from Cuesta College Campus in SLO.</li> </ul>	DSS- 3563 Empleo St, SLO, Conference 2	Jan Tallman- DSS	781-1705
1/18 Friday  OR 1/19 Saturday	9am-3pm (both)	<b>CWA (Child Welfare Academy) (CC, F,T)</b> <b>Moment to Moment: Teens Growing up with FASD's.</b> Adolescence is a time of self-discovery in which teens search for answers of "Who Am I?" and "Where do I fit in?" Imagine that you are a teen that has been prenatally exposed to alcohol in the womb with a compromised brain answering these same questions or sadly not being able to even understand how to ask the questions because of your compromised daily functioning. Participants will understand the impact of FASD on the brain and some of the specific challenges that FASD teens and their families experience. Justin will be explaining his life with FASD. Participants will learn intervention strategies on how to prepare their FASD teen for adulthood and how to negotiate daily living skills.	<b>1/18 Location:</b> ABC Church, 6225 Atascadero Ave, Atascadero  <b>1/19 Location:</b> DSS- 3563 Empleo St, SLO, Conference 1	Lori Switanowski LMFT, Karen Jason- expert on FASD, and Justin Jason- young adult living with FASD	781-1705



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1/24 Thursday	9am-11am <b>OR</b> 6:30p-8:30p	<b>Hot Topic- "Book Club"</b> <b>(T) NO CHILDCARE AVAILABLE.</b> This month's book is titled: <i>"Families Change"</i> by Julie Nelson. This is a book for children experiencing parental termination of rights, foster care, and adoption. <b>Everyone will receive the book FREE!!</b>	<b>AM Location:</b> DSS- 3563 Empleo St, SLO, Conference 2  <b>PM Location:</b> Plymouth Church, 1301 Oak St, Paso Robles	Judy Martin	781-1705
1/25 Friday	9am-11am	<b>OFR Family Staff Meeting (Options for Recovery)</b> <b>(CC, T)</b> These are required for OFR Homes. Discussion includes; The OFR Program, OFR respite, reimbursement, OFR support, OFR community resources, and group discussion regarding the benefits of mentoring birth parents.	DSS- 3563 Empleo St., San Luis Obispo, Conference 2	Nicola Love	781-1705
1/26 Saturday <b>AND</b> 1/27 Sunday	9am-4pm (both)  <b>Required to attend both classes to receive credit</b>	<b>RFT Weekend Certification Training</b> <b>(CC, T)</b> This is an additional 2-day training offered on the weekend for those who are unable to attend the 3-class RFT Series. This will be a crunch course that is normally taught in 3 days. This is a mandatory training for anyone wanting to become a Resource Family.	DSS- 3563 Empleo St, SLO, Conference 1 (both dates)	Judy Martin	781-1705