

Children's Alliance

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Please submit applications to:
Children's Network of Solano County
Attn: SCA Exec. Committee
827 Missouri Street, Suite 5, Fairfield, CA 94533
or email to jgabbart@childnet.org

Solano Children's Alliance Membership Application

This application is for approval as an: Alliance Member Alternate for Alliance Member

Personal and Employment Information

Name	Date	
_____	_____	
Street Address	City	County
_____	_____	_____
Telephone	Email	
_____	_____	
Current Occupation	Employer	
_____	_____	
Employer Address	_____	

Verification of Applicant's Ability to Participate

Please provide one of the following:

<input type="checkbox"/> Supervisor's Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____ Email: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Letter from Employer Verifying Permission to Participate is attached.
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Regular Solano Children's Alliance meetings take place on the 1st Wednesday of each month.

- I can attend on the 1st Wednesday of the month
 I cannot attend on the 1st Wednesday of the month

Alternate Member

If a member is unable to attend a meeting, an Alternate member can participate in an Alliance member's place. Please choose one:

- I am applying to be an Alliance member and my alternate will be:
Name: _____ Organizational Affiliation: _____.
- I am applying to be an Alternate member for:
Name of Alliance member or Alliance member applicant: _____

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Please describe why you would like to be a member of the Solano Children's Alliance.

What past or present experiences do you bring to the Solano Children's Alliance which will enhance our mission to serve the needs of children?

As a member of the Solano Children's Alliance you will be asked to participate in at least one of our committees during a part of your term. Our four priorities include: access to mental and behavioral health; child and youth safety; quality care and education; and homeless youth. Which of these interest you the most and why?

If not selected at this time, would you be interested in serving as a non-voting member on a committee?

Please attach a current resume or curriculum vitae with your application form.

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The purpose of the Solano Children's Alliance is to join representatives from city and county agencies, private and community-based organizations, and concerned citizens in an effort to sustain and improve the quality, quantity and integration of services and programs available to Solano County children and their families.

In fulfilling its responsibilities, the Solano Children's Alliance is charged with establishing membership that has a demonstrated commitment to serving the children, youth, and families in Solano County and that reflects the diverse ethnic, economic and experiential backgrounds of our communities.

Solano County Alliance Member Roles and Responsibilities:

- I. The Alliance consists of 20 voting members recommended by the Alliance Executive Committee and appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

Categories of membership are:

- Two representatives from Solano County Health and Social Services
- One representative from Solano County Probation, Juvenile Division
- One representative from an unspecified Solano County government agency that serves children
- One representative from the Solano County Superior Court (Presiding Judge of Juvenile Court or designee)
- One representative from the County Superintendent of Schools
- One representative from a local school district
- One representative from the District Attorney's Office
- Five representatives of Community Based Organizations that provide services to children and /or families.
- One member of the County Board of Supervisors or designee
- One representative of law enforcement
- One representative of the Regional Center
- One representative of the Child Care Resource and Referral or Child Care Planning Council
- One representative of a Community Based Organization with ties to vulnerable communities
- Two community representatives/parents/grandparents/consumers

II. Members are appointed for four year terms that may be renewed in accord with the Alliance Bylaws. The Solano Children’s Alliance works to:

- A.** Inform, educate and advise the Board of Supervisors on children’s issues, including identification of underutilized funding sources, gaps in local service delivery and opportunities for improved service quality, coordination and integration.
- B.** Recommend funding allocation priorities to the Board of Supervisors for County Children’s Trust Fund.
- C.** Promote child abuse prevention and serve as the County’s Child Abuse Prevention Council, fulfilling the associated community outreach and coordination responsibilities of that Council.
- D.** Act as an advocate for children and families with state and federal representatives on legislation and/or issues that impact the health, education and well-being of Solano County children and their families.
- E.** Act as the County’s SB 997 Children’s Services Council, facilitating greater children’s service coordination and integration by providing opportunities for increased communication, coordination, collaboration, and cooperation among public, private, and community service providers.

Solano Children’s Alliance Member’s Job Duties:

In order to fulfill these responsibilities (and carry out the other powers and duties prescribed in Alliance By-Laws, SB 997 and other applicable statutes), Alliance members are expected to commit to a significant and reasonably consistent level of time and effort, including but not limited to the sections below.

A. Meetings: Alliance members must maintain consistent meeting attendance.

1. The Alliance holds a minimum of ten meetings per year. Unless otherwise determined by a vote of the membership, the meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at a site identified in writing in advance of the meeting. Special meetings may be called by the Alliance President at any time.

2. Committees: The Alliance forms committees, work groups or task forces as needed and members are expected to serve on these bodies. Such committees will make recommendations to the Alliance. Examples of committee, work groups or task forces may include:

- a.** Planning community outreach activities.
- b.** Developing elements of the Alliance Strategic plan.

- c. Reviewing and monitoring legislation & advocating for effective children's services with appropriate governmental bodies.
- d. Providing a slate of officers at the time of the election of the Executive Committee.
- e. Acting as an elected member of the Executive Committee

3. Trainings: Alliance members are also expected to participate in training sessions on areas such as Brown Act and avoidance of conflict of interest, when such trainings are offered.

B. Establishing and maintaining a level of knowledge and understanding of the needs of Solano children and families to support responsible policy, strategic and fiscal decisions by the Solano Children's Alliance.

C. Actively engaging in policy, program or community support activities to promote the mission of the Alliance.

D. Serve as a Liaison with and member of the Children's Network Board of Directors to assure staffing resources and Alliance workload align.

Individuals who are able to make the required time commitments, and are interested in being considered for an appointment to the Solano Children's Alliance may pick up an application and a copy of the Alliance Bylaws at the Children's Network office, 827 Missouri Street, Suite 5, Fairfield CA 94533 or request one via email from Jessica Gabbart at jgabbart@childnet.org.

All applications will be reviewed by the Executive Committee. Prospective applicants may be requested to appear for an interview prior to recommendation for appointment by the Solano County Board of Supervisors.