THE HOPE TOOLKIT

Partnering with Local Government



Why Partner?

Local government can be a valuable partner for schools, as they have numerous touchpoints with students and families in the community. Partnerships can:

- Provide direct access to students and families for recreational programming, community giveaways, utility assistance, and other support services.
- Streamline the process for families to access and receive services
- Provide community-based outreach to raise awareness of needs and services provided
- Strengthen collaboration for ongoing work to address community issues and concerns

"Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success."
- Henry Ford

How to Reach Out

- Cast a vision of how you plan to serve students and the impact that it will have on the community. Identify your needs and your dreams for the program and services you want to provide. What will it take to get there?
- The biggest barrier to partnership is lack of buy-in from leadership. Find others who share your vision for students.
 Consider convening a community collaborative of potential champions.
- Connect personally with stakeholders, attend community meetings, actively engage in programming, support what's important to them, and share what is important to you.
- Do your research beforehand and connect with them as residents and community leaders.
- Do quality work. Showcase the impact of the work you do. Invite others to join. Look for informal and formal ways to partner and collaborate.

About Us

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Through this toolkit, we want to offer what we have learned to other Local Education Agencies (LEAs) looking to enhance support for their McKinney-Vento students. We have pulled together tools, resources, and advice that we wish we had when we were starting out.

For more information on HOPE partnerships or to access the full HOPE Toolkit, please visit our website: https://www.chino.k12.ca.us/Page/54175 or scan the QR code.





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The HOPE Partnership

The HOPE program has partnerships with all three of the municipalities served by the district, Chino, Chino Hills, and Ontario. These partnerships vary in scope and size, but they all reflect a desire to coordinate services and communicate with each other in meeting the needs of families, most often through Family Resource Centers housed at schools in each community.

Through the HOPE partnership with the City of Chino, all of our HOPE families have access to ongoing case management to help them access available services.

Through these partnerships, HOPE families have access to recreational programming, holiday giveaways, utility assistance programs, mental health resources, and more.

HOPE In Action

The HOPE program conducts outreach at citywide events to promote community awareness of the program and services provided.

In addition, HOPE families may receive priority access to recreational programming, scholarships, and community giveaway programs, such as Thanksgiving meals, school supplies, and more.



"We know that when we invest in the basic needs of our students, they are going to do better in school. They are going to be better citizens and make for a better city. It's going to require investment of time, energy, resources, and that is a worthwhile investment in our families, our city, our future."

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