



## Update: COVID-19 Crisis Response

The Children's Center of the Antelope Valley (CCAV) and its programs have worked quickly and effectively to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. As a community based organization which prevents and treats the effects of trauma, we have adapted our programs to align with the current crisis. We are continuing to provide supportive services, as well as working to ensure our clients' ongoing health and safety by pivoting our resources to address our community's most urgent needs.

CCAV has adhered to all safety protocols and has recently brought on an Registered Nurse intern to further ensure compliance for the health and safety of our staff and clients. Our staff has successfully shifted to telehealth services, with resources and therapy sessions made available over the phone or via videoconferencing tools. We are also offering in-office visits by appointment. CCAV is requiring all persons entering the Center to wear facial coverings, and we are providing masks as needed. Upon entering the Center, staff and clients must answer screening questions and their temperature is taken. Our multipurpose room has also been converted to a waiting area to allow for social distancing and all high-touch surfaces are continuously sanitized.

In response to food insecurity resulting from this crisis, CCAV has partnered with several distribution efforts and has begun offering emergency groceries to our clients. We are also providing informational resources for addressing COVID-19 within homes, and have mailed out booklets with related activities and supplies.

Additionally, in partnership with Bartz-Altadonna Community Health Center, we have worked diligently to reduce community spread by following CDC protocols to safely assess, screen, test and isolate residents. At this time, our State-of-the-Art mobile medical clinic with two exam rooms is being used as a testing and isolation unit, and CCAV staff have assisted by issuing much-needed screenings within our community.

With continual support to our clients and innovative collaboration, CCAV believes we can and will overcome this pandemic and successfully mitigate the potential impact of this community trauma.



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