

# About Us

From thriving kids to thriving families.

## Our Story

Founded in 1993 in a one-bedroom apartment in East Palo Alto, Family Connections has been serving Peninsula families for 30 years. It was founded by Little Hands, a cooperative nursery school in Belmont, and they continue to inspire us to be so much more than a preschool.



# Why Family Connections?

Family Connections is a foundation for whole-family success.



We provide free high-quality, whole-family education, paired with in-depth whole family support.

We strive for...

- Children's healthy cognitive development.
- Children's social and emotional development.
- Resource development for parents.

The research is crystal clear: young children need a strong foundation of support to meet development milestones and set in place the building blocks of successful futures.

# Who We Serve

Our families report experiencing these challenges:



### Low Household Income

81% of our families earn less than \$60K a year in an area where \$128K is the median income.



### Increasing Need for Mental Health Support


Our families' need for mental health support increased by 41% in the past two years.



### Language Barriers


English is not the primary language of 66% of our families.

## Families in our community experience these challenges:




### Basic Necessities

21% of parents/caregivers said they are not able to afford basic necessities.



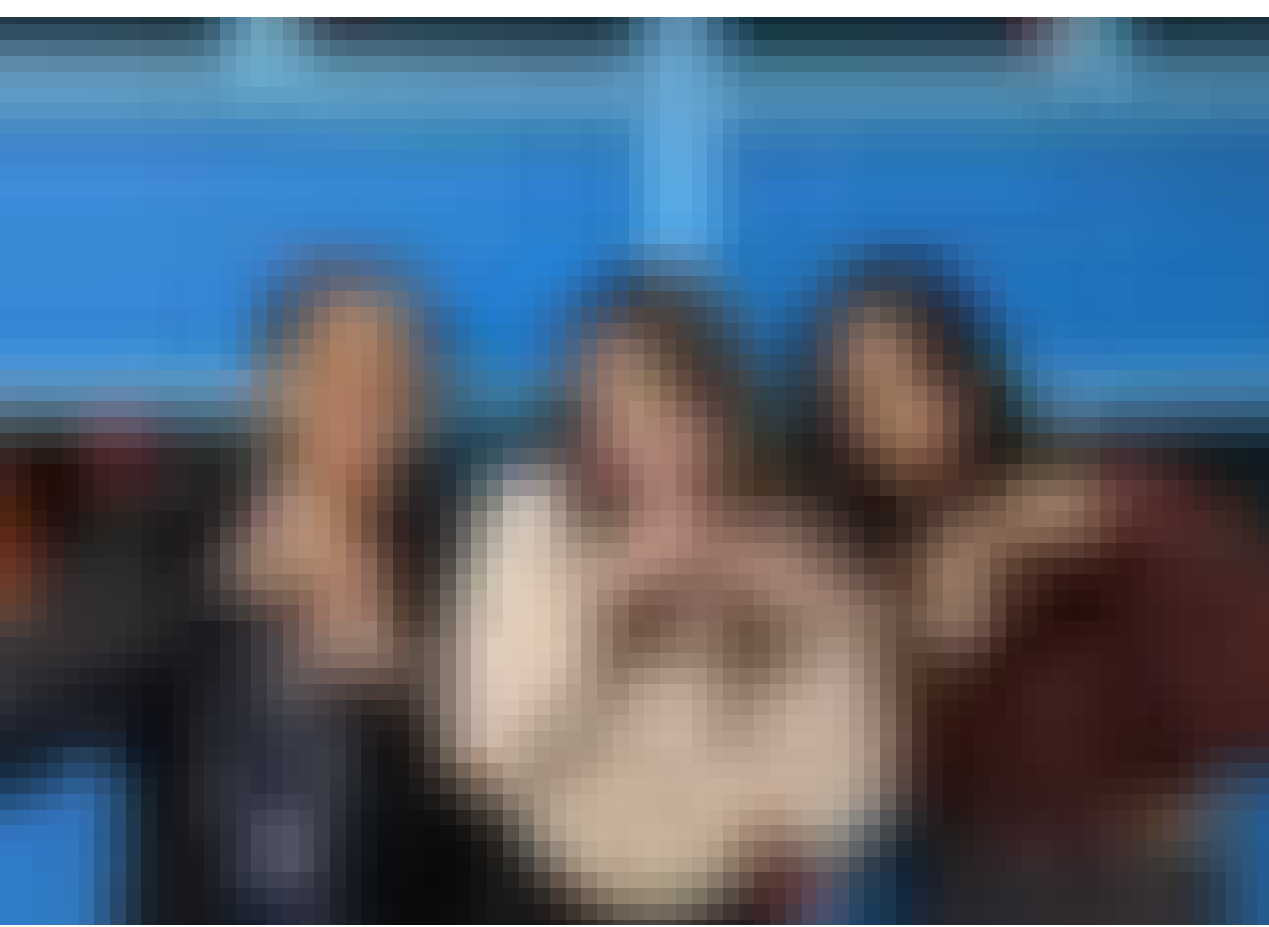
### Lack of Adult Support

43% of youth survey respondents reported that they have "never" or "rarely" talked to a supportive adult about what they are thinking or feeling.

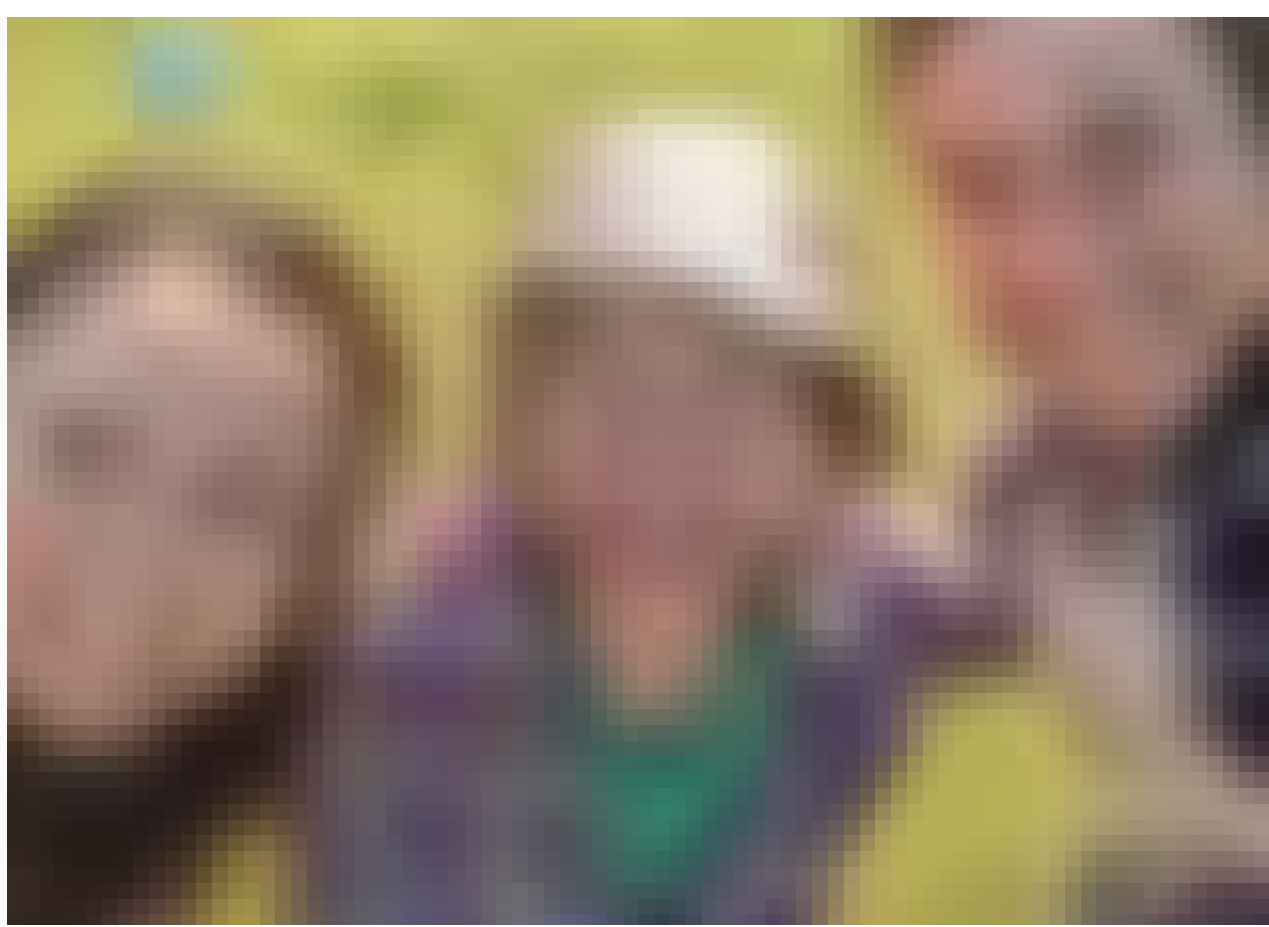


### Childcare Shortage

75% of families seeking affordable child care can't find it.



## Meet [Our Team](#) [Our Board](#)



# Our Partners

Family Connections thrives through our partnerships with these community organizations that work together to support our families and communities.



# Our Timeline

1993

1999

2008

2013

Family Connections is established in a one bedroom apartment in East Palo Alto under the fiscal responsibility of Little Hands preschool.

Family Connections becomes an independent organization and is granted 501(c) (3) non-profit status.

Family Connections secures permanent sites in East Palo Alto and Redwood City.

Family Connections is awarded our first government contract from First 5, San Mateo County, establishing our presence as a leader in providing high-quality, whole-family education. Family Connections introduces our Nurturing Families program (birth to 3 years) and Young Scholars program (5 to 10 years).

2018

2022

Family Connections is awarded a Child Abuse Prevention grant to fund a full-time clinician *and* a full-time home visitor, further establishing our unique approach in integrating high-quality, whole-family support.

Family Connections shifts to a co-op model for our preschool class. Family Connections is awarded a contract from the San Mateo County Office of Education to expand our mental health services to include an Early Intervention Consultant and becomes an exclusive provider of the [Positive Parenting Program \(Triple P\)](#) in San Mateo County.

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575 Abbot Avenue  
Daly City, CA 94014

East Palo Alto

Girls' Club of the Mid-Peninsula  
2400 Raimar Avenue  
East Palo Alto, CA 94303

Redwood City

414 4th Avenue  
Redwood City, CA 94063

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