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Essential COVID-19 Resources Available For Tulare County Residents

CSET's CARES Programs Provide No-Cost Services During COVID-19 Pandemic

[Tulare County, CA] Through funding made available by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, CSET will provide mobile outreach services throughout Tulare County. Community Resource Navigators will travel to rural communities with an outreach vehicle providing information about CSET's range of services and community resources from partner agencies. The CSET mobile center will be equipped with computers and wireless internet, providing online access services throughout Tulare County. CSET offers the following no-cost services based on eligibility:

Rental and Energy Assistance Services: The rental and mortgage assistance provides relief to low and moderate-income households that experienced an income reduction, became furloughed, or are unable to return to work due to the COVID-19 pandemic. All prospective applicants must complete an eligibility questionnaire available only online at <u>www.cset.org/housing</u>. Financial assistance for energy utility services such as electricity, gas, and propane are also available; call the Energy Assistance Hotline at 1-844-224-1316 for more information.

Family Resources: Families in need of family support services, including virtual parenting education sessions should contact CSET's family resource centers at (559) 631-7270. Drive-thru testing and resource giving events hosted by the Tulare County Community Care Coalition are available to families in rural communities. In the upcoming days, CSET and partners will be present to distribute information about resources and supplies to families throughout the communities of Ivanhoe and Orosi. Please stay tuned for additional community events.

Employment Services for Adults and Youth: The Tulare County Employment Connection centers in Porterville, Visalia and the Tulare affiliate site remain open. COVID-19 financial assistance is available to workers impacted by COVID-19 and eligible individuals may qualify to receive up to \$800 in supportive services. Youth and youth adults interested in participating in employment and career exploration opportunities should submit an online questionnaire available at <u>www.cset.org/youth-development</u>. For more information visit <u>www.employmentconnect.org</u> or call the Employment Connection Hotline at (559) 713-5190. Visit the Employment Connection Facebook page to view weekly webinars on job leads, virtual recruiting assistance, and more.

For the latest updates regarding CSET's programs and services, testing sites, events and more information related to COVID-19 visit <u>www.cset.org/covid-19</u>. To receive more information of all other related services call 211.

Community Services Employment Training (CSET) inspires youth, families and communities to achieve self-reliance through innovative pathways and collaboration. Since 1976, CSET has been the Community Action Agency for Tulare County. We are a nonprofit agency established to fight America's War on Poverty.