

Governor's Office Update:

- **CalKIDS:** [CalKIDS](#) is a new program from the State of California that provides eligible families with free money for college. California [newborns](#) can receive up to \$175 and eligible California public school [students](#) can receive up to \$1,500. CalKIDS was created to help families kickstart their college savings plan and increase access to higher education. Families can check their eligibility and claim their account here: [Get Started | CalKIDS](#).
- We have also launched a comprehensive [marketing materials toolkit](#). Flyers, informational videos and posters are available in several languages including English, Spanish, and Chinese. The resources can be shared in newsletters, e-blasts, in-person events, and at your office(s). The following link allows you to produce a co-branded flyer with your organization's logo: [calkids.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/CalKIDS-Co-Branded-Program-Flyer.pdf](https://www.calkids.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/CalKIDS-Co-Branded-Program-Flyer.pdf). Please help us share this important resource with the community!
- **State Boards and Commissions:** Help shape the future of California by serving on a statewide board or commission. To apply for a board or commission please visit: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/join-the-administration/government-appointments/>
 - List of current opportunities: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/join-the-administration/government-appointments/current-opportunities/>
 - Board/Commissions Vacancies: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Current-Vacancy-Report.pdf>
- **Transforming CA's Behavioral Health System:** Last week, the Governor [announced](#) the state is accelerating - in record time - the first round of funding, made available by Prop 1! Eligible entities, which include counties and cities, will be able to apply for funding from the first round of the \$6.38B bond **this summer**. The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has issued [bond guidance](#) for behavioral health treatment beds and sites, with the request for application to be posted this summer. Please see the Prop 1 factsheet attached.
- In an effort to connect Californians with mental health services and provide transparency throughout the implementation of Prop 1, we recently launched a new website [MentalHealth.CA.Gov](#). Here you will find resources and information on our efforts to transform California's behavioral health system.
- **CalHOPE:** The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) in January launched the Behavioral Health Virtual Services Platform – **two free behavioral health services applications for all California families with kids, teens, and young adults**. The web and app-based platforms offer free one-on-one support with a live wellness coach, a library of multimedia resources, wellness exercises, and peer communities moderated by trained BH professionals to ensure content is safe for all users. Please share this resource with the community: <https://www.calhope.org/>

- **Master Plan for Career Education:** The Master Plan for Career Education helps to actualize the Governor's commitment to equity, as outlined in Executive Order [N-16-22](#). Through the Master Plan, we are establishing the future blueprint to prepare California's students and workers – including those currently disconnected from school and jobs- for living wage, fulfilling careers. The Governor's Office will convene **five constituency groups** that will review and provide targeted feedback on proposed solutions for the Plan.
 - Students and families;
 - K-12 and postsecondary educators;
 - Adult education and workforce training providers;
 - Employers and labor representatives; and
 - Advocates and policy makers.
- Each group is charged with validating ideas that were generated through the public engagement process, identifying missing topics and red flags, and providing input to the Career Education Master Plan Task Force on whether the proposed solutions will address concerns of specific constituencies. Please consider a self-nomination or nominating your colleagues. There is no compensation for serving on the constituency group.
- [Nomination form](#). Nominations are **due by June 14, 2024** and will be announced in July. Information can be found on our [website](#).
- **May Revise:** I have attached the administration's factsheet on the May Revise that goes over topline.

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