At First 5 San Mateo County, we support kids to be healthy, active learners who grow up in families and communities that nurture them. In 2017, we invested more than $6 million in services and systems for 53,000+ county children ages 0 to 5 and their families.

First 5 San Mateo County supports families through programs and systems like:

- **Home visiting**, which provides voluntary, in-home support to pregnant moms and babies for up to 3 years.
- **Professional development** and resources for early care and education teachers to support high-quality care.
- **Help Me Grow**, which identifies kids at risk for developmental concerns and helps families connect to services.

With our partners, we are seeing results:

- **74%** of young kids are read to every day.
- **89%** of mothers receive prenatal care in the first trimester.
- **82%** of kids 2-11 receive timely preventive dental care.

**Yet, the needs of San Mateo County kids are still great.**

- **17%** of kids live in low-income families.
- **72%** of families need licensed child care but it is unavailable.
- **9%** of kids 1-2 are reported for abuse or neglect.

**Across the state, First 5 county programs are not at scale and funding keeps declining... from $261 to $135 per child statewide.**

**Let’s put California’s money where our heart is.**

Prioritize funding for early childhood, so all of California’s kids can thrive.